

Galbraith again heads R.E.S.

by John Knight

Mr. Knight, editor of *Insight* magazine, attended the Reformed Ecumenical Synod in Nimes, France and wrote this report for *Calvinist Contact*.

Nimes, France — John P. Galbraith was elected president of the Reformed Ecumenical Synod (RES) at its first session on July 15. The main challenge for this position came from Dr. Klaas Runia, a representative of the Gereformeerde Kerken in Nederland (GKN) who served twice as chairman of this 38-member confessional body.

Runia led the field of candidates on the first ballot, but lost ground during the second and third to Galbraith who presided at the Capetown R.E.S. four years ago. Galbraith represents the Orthodox Presbyterian Church in the U.S., a denomination that has been highly critical of Runia's GKN... critical to the point of demanding that the GKN mends its ways, or leave the R.E.S. of which it was one of the three founding denominations.

At the crossroads

The question of GKN's continued membership has been going on for at least four years. Its "new theology," its participation in the World Council of Churches and more recently its synodical decisions regarding homosexuality have done more than raise eyebrows among fellow R.E.S. members. Some have threatened to leave R.E.S. if the Gereformeerde Kerk stays in. The Dutch themselves, at their own synod, have raised questions about continued R.E.S. support. "Why belong if all they do is criticize us?" is a question frequently asked. Others in the same denomination however feel that there is indeed value in R.E.S. membership, especially for the GKN which has championed the cause of black and coloured Reformed churches in South Africa.

One Dutch newspaper, the day after the Nimes synod began, speculated that Runia's strong showing in the selection of president was due to the support of Africa's non-white churches, the churches of Indonesia and the Christian Reformed Church, while the Presbyterian denominations together with South Africa's white churches supported Galbraith.

The paper, *Nederlands Dagblad*, made it a front-page story, just as three days before it had devoted two pages to R.E.S. in its weekend supplement. Sensational news that struck me especially hard, since I had just returned from a week in Nimes where unity in Christ, rather than open conflict was evident in three pre-synod conferences.

It was the kind of week during which common dreams and challenges were discussed, and shared, and prayed about. A kind of week that the founders of the R.E.S. in 1946 couldn't possibly have anticipated, but which certainly was the result of their vision to bring reformed/presbyterian Calvinists together. I doubt if many conference participants were blind to the crisis that R.E.S. would face during the synod that would follow. But there was no evidence that the group was divided. Indeed,



there was a feeling of unity despite diversity... and maybe even because of it.

Huguenot country

The Evangelical Reformed Church of France is a small denomination, a tiny remnant of the Huguenot church that has suffered so much during centuries of persecutions. On Rue Adrien near the centre of Nimes, the local congregation meets each Sunday for worship. Pasteur Leininger ministers to this (by our standards) small group. It is a large building with an impressive pulpit over which are written several key texts about the amazing grace of a Saviour who died for His people.

It seemed most members practised what the apostle wrote centuries before when he suggested that followers of Jesus "greet each other with a holy kiss." Young and old embraced each other as they sat down on the chairs. The service we attended was bilingual and we used a specially prepared song book of mostly Genevan psalms, "Chantez au Seigneur," "Sing to the Lord." (Much credit was given to the Committee for the Publication of the Anglo-Genevan Psalter of the Canadian Reformed Church for completing the translation of all the psalms into English). It seemed appropriate that in the land of John Calvin these songs should be used by delegates and visitors from six continents. Five years of school-French were not sufficient to follow the service entirely, especially in the softer, more expressive dialect of Languedoc. But the service, including the traditional first-Sunday-of-the-month communion service will not easily be forgotten.

No song captured the thrill of this bilingual experience better than "A Toi la Gloire, O Ressuscite," "Thine be the Glory, risen, conquering Son."

It wasn't until several days later that we learned that only blocks away from our place of worship, Huguenots were tortured and put to death, Bibles were smuggled in oil barrels and Protestant girls were forced to spend their remaining days in a convent.

There isn't much left of the great Huguenot churches of which, one in Nimes, seated 5,000 people. It takes a pilgrimage to the foothills of the Cevennes mountains (som 60 km away)

where the Huguenots held out the longest, to appreciate the violent and sad history of a once-strong church.

R.E.S. delegates went there on July 19, some who did not stay for the Synod went earlier. Mostly ignorant about the suffering of the French Protestant church of which I only remembered the massacre on St. Bartholemew's night in 1572 and a royal decree in the next century which granted Protestants some freedoms, I was amazed that persecutions (sometimes wholesale slaughter) went on until the first stirrings of the French revolution.

It is small wonder that so little is left of the French Reformed churches... or for that matter, any kind of church, because the Roman Catholic churches are empty and (at least in Nimes), a new ideology, Communism, rules.

Three conferences

Three series of meetings preceded the synod, one on Youth in the Church, one on Missions and one on Theology.

The conference on youth was a first for R.E.S. but met with such enthusiasm that in its fifth and final meeting it unanimously recommended to the Synod that it convene another youth conference in 1984. This conference will probably include a wider representation of youth workers, for instance those who produce church educational materials. The suggested theme for 1984, "Integrating Youth into the Full Life of the Church."

The Missions Conference was a delight. Adrio Konig, who according to several non-white delegates represents a new generation of leadership in South Africa's white churches, presented an excellent paper on "The Prophetic Witness of the Church." Dr. Konig teaches at the University of South Africa in Pretoria.

Considerable discussion took place on his paper. Like so many other discussions there simply wasn't enough time to do justice to the work done. R.E.S. as in earlier years, will make these position papers available in published form. More about the content of the conferences in a future issue.

Apartheid and homosexuality

For many years the world and the church, including Reformed ones, have attacked South Africa for the sins it has committed in its apartheid policies.

They rightfully assume that the Calvinistic churches are behind the government decrees for the separate development of races which have angered an entire world.

Whites, blacks, coloureds and Indians will have their own set of laws, their own timetable for participation in education and politics, and frequently their own territories, in which others are not allowed to live. Since apartheid is also practised in the churches, the Reformed synods in South Africa are also racially segregated.

At the Nimes conferences and synod, these separate churches each had their own delegation and frequently voiced a different set of values than the "mother" or white church. Although this seems to indicate a healthy level of maturity ("It is important for my people to think of themselves as black and not western," said a young minister from Soweto) and maybe even a level of success for apartheid, there have always been churches in R.E.S. who have been highly critical of apartheid as unbiblical and sinful.

In this opposition the GKN has always played a leading role. And the white South African churches have been at the receiving end of a great deal of insult, often from people totally ignorant of the real situation in that country.

The apartheid controversy has taken up much of R.E.S.'s time in the past decades.

But the Dutch, who have a long history of practising tolerance and brotherly love may have gone a bit too far in its recent synodical decisions on homosexuality. Several churches in R.E.S. who have been patient with the GKN in the past are now up-in-arms. Strongly worded letters from the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and the Reformed Churches in New Zealand to the Nimes synod may only be the tip of a mountain of protest.

The GKN during the weeks before the Nimes synod, was expected to again "chastise" the South Africans for their sin of apartheid. Instead they themselves had to explain, before a very critical audience, why their church now allows practising homosexuals to hold church office and participation in the Lord's Supper.

"They don't understand," claimed Dr. Hofland in a private conversation, before we left Nimes. "They have taken a Dutch word in our decision, the word 'beleven' and translated it wrongly into the English 'practising.' It's time they understand the spirit in which our decision was made, and the mission the church has to tens of thousands among its own members who are homosexual."

Hofland, the current president of the GKN, shared some documents and correspondence with us, which will be the context of an upcoming article in C.C.

That R.E.S. is indeed at the crossroads is an understatement. But the church, and ecumenicity have been in similar situations before, and often come through trying times with a stronger sense of direction.

The R.E.S. will be continued, but it requires patience, mutual understanding and the prayers of its members.

Viewpoint

Futurists believe that they are in control of the world

by Keith Knight

The future seems to be in good hands. Man has done it again! About 5,000 men and women from around the world came to Toronto at the end of July to take part in the First Global Conference on the Future.

All of them are qualified "futurists" — they are specialists in the fields of social problems, food, habitats, education, technology and religion. It is their job to know what life will be like on earth a hundred thousand years from now.

What do these 5,000 experts believe that they can accomplish during such a gathering of futurists? It is best summed up by Maurice F. Strong, honorary conference chairman and a Canadian corporate executive: "I am persuaded that we are in one of those seminal transition periods in human history. The way in which we deal with the issues will determine the direction in which this transition will take us. At

this point, I believe its outcome is not pre-determined. Most of the basic forces which are shaping our future are the result of human actions and human failures. In a very real sense, then, we are today in command of our own evolution."

If you are a humanist, if you agree that man is in command of this world's destiny, then you would certainly applaud Mr. Strong's remarks. But we know better, you and I. Man is not in control of this world, God is. Man does not determine history apart from God. Our lives are predestined. The world is predestined. History is the working out of God's blueprint for our lives.

What then about the First Global Conference on the Future? If God has everything under control is there nothing that man can do? Should those 5,000 brilliant minds simply pack up and go home? Someone might be of a mind to say: "Sure. Send them home." But I'm

writing this midway through the four day conference (July 22) and I'm curious what they have to say about some aspects of global life.

There are, for example, a series of workshops on Human Values and Religions with these headings: World religions and emerging world community, the quest for global values, religion in a technological world, the future of sacred cows, values for the future. Workshop leaders include a number of theologians.

I wish that that gathering of 5,000 consisted of Christian men and women who could provide that perspective to these various areas of life. As it is, futurists are basically humanists. They will deal with the various aspects of global life out of fear (Will there be a tomorrow?) rather than hope (God promises us eternity), out of want rather than stewardship.

There are about 300 workshops and

many of the areas require our attention as well. Here are a few of them: Learning to live more modestly in the future, the violent return of the famine, global solutions to food problems, urban chaos in the Third World, the integration of work and leisure, creative leisure, future effects of population growth.

There are a large number of workshops which deal with the future and outer space such as: The next billion years, role of military in space, from earthkind to spacekind; which don't in the least interest me.

The future is in God's hands, thankfully. If man's future must depend solely on human resources, then the "next billion years" look dim. God must guide us as we journey through the 1980s, 1990s and into the 21st century and we must repeatedly ask: "What now, Lord?"

1980 — the year of three major mission conferences

OUR FAITH, OTHER FAITHS

by Johan D. Tangelder

1. Melbourne, Australia, May 12-25. Commission of World Mission and Evangelism of the World Council of Churches (WCC). Theme: "Your Kingdom Come."

The WCC conference met at the University of Melbourne. Some 600 delegates from 85 countries attended. The two leaders were Dr. Philip Potter, General Secretary of the WCC and Dr. Emilio Castro of Uruguay, the Chairman of WCC's World Mission and Evangelism Commission. Dr. Castro was also the elected chairman of the Bangkok conference in 1973. Typical lectures included The Kingdom of God and Human Struggles; The Church Witnesses to the Kingdom, and the Crucified Christ Challenges Human Power.

In the papers delivered at the plenary sessions, in group Bible studies and in the sectional meetings, salvation tended to be explained in socio-political terms. Dr. Philip Potter interpreted the program for the "Kingdom of God" as a political, economic, social world order.

Some strange statements could be heard by observers. One study was introduced by a prayer which included the words: "Our kingdom comes when there is land for all . . . education for the deprived and outcast . . . when the land is cultivated . . . when the sources of production are the property of the people . . ."

Dr. Castro spoke of the guilt of the Western churches. He asked: "How can we come with the proclamation of the message of redemption and freedom of God's kingdom, when so many people have seen slavery coming to them through colonialism, even in the name of the Christian faith?"

A delegation from Pakistan attempted to get the Soviet Union condemned for its military intervention in Afghanistan, but the Soviet delegates strongly opposed this move. One Baptist even threatened to break ties with the WCC. The Eastern European delegates received support from Latin Americans, some Africans and people

from India. Pakistan's motion was defeated with 66 versus 58 votes.

The conference accepted the resolution expressing its sorrow that it was impossible to condemn countries which trampled on human rights. South Africa was the exception. It was the only nation condemned by the conference. Much more can be said about the Melbourne conference. I hope to write about its theology and missiology in more detail in the near future.

2. Pattaya, Thailand, June 16-27. Lausanne Committee for World Evangelism, Consultation on World Evangelization. Theme: "How Shall they Hear?"

This consultation stands in the tradition of the evangelism conferences convened in Berlin in 1966, and in Lausanne, Switzerland in 1974. Its theme was a follow-up to the Lausanne theme, "Let the earth hear His voice."

A select group of 650 delegates evaluated what's happened since 1974 and developed new strategies to reach the world's unreached or hidden people. The U.S. Center for World Mission's technical definition of hidden people is: "Those particular unreached peoples which cannot yet be reached by an evangelizing church within their own cultural tradition."

Some 16,750 people groups throughout the world have no churches whatever. Dr. Leighton Ford said in an interview before he went to Thailand, that the conference "will be a microcosm of the global church coming to grips with evangelization strategy for the years ahead."

3. Edinburgh, Scotland, October 27 to November 1, 1980. World-Wide Missions Agencies, World Consultation on Frontier Missions. Theme: "A Church for Every People by the Year 2000."

This convention falls on the 70th anniversary date of the first world-wide

missionary conference held in 1910. Pattaya, Thailand was a meeting of invited, individual evangelical leaders. Edinburgh will be a meeting of official agency representatives. It will deal exclusively with the hidden people.

At Edinburgh the anticipated 800 delegates will consider ways and means to promote greater involvement of the world's many evangelical Protestant mission agencies in reaching hidden people and consider concrete implementation of all what was discussed at Pattaya and other conferences.

Three major conferences in one year! Hundreds of mission personnel, theologians and churchmen on the move! Is this good stewardship of time and money? Many key people are involved in the preparations of conferences. They have to spend precious time on the preparation of papers, etc. In our days of economic recession, inflation and steep price of travel, the cost of each conference is high.

James W. Reapsome, the editor of

the *Evangelical Mission Quarterly* raised the possibility of a moratorium on mission congresses. He remarked, "Some skepticism about international congresses is warranted. Many a working missionary wonders about the time and money expended by a comparatively few leaders in world evangelical circles in what appears to be the full-time occupation of attending conferences. Rightfully they want to know if the results are worth the expenditures. It's hard for them to suppress the groans with which they greet the news of yet another congress."

A moratorium on mission conferences and congresses? I believe that the church should get on with the job of evangelization. Conferences tend to become self-perpetuating. Churches shouldn't be financially burdened with the support of any more high level talks. The people in the pew like to see their money go where there is a need and an opportunity to present the gospel. Some hard questions must be asked before another congress is planned.

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LETTERS

Report on reprobation will help churches

Dear Sir:

In your issue: "Synod '80" reflecting on Synod's reaction to the gravamen (weighty objection) of Dr. Harry Boer and the Report of the Study Committee it was stated: "Some delegates at Synod also expressed some concern about some of the contents of the study committee report, however, that report was not adopted by synod but simply 'referred to the churches' for their perusal...."

To state that the report of the study committee was not adopted by Synod, but simply "referred to the churches" for their perusal, is seriously incorrect.

The official decision of Synod was: "That synod refer Report 30 to the churches for elucidation of the teaching of the Canons on election and reprobation."

Moreover, Synod decided

to "refer this Report and its decisions for information to the churches which are in ecclesiastical fellowship with the Christian Reformed Church, and the churches which belong to the Reformed Ecumenical Synod."

And what is most important for the denomination and for Dr. Harry Boer together, is that Synod in its official decision concerning the gravamen decided: "That synod express its appreciation to Dr. Harry Boer and to the study committee for their sincere efforts to help the church in coming to a clearer understanding of the Scripture and the creeds with respect to this difficult doctrine."

Out of all this it is clear that Synod adopted Report 30, otherwise how could synod refer this report to the churches for elucidation (to shed light upon) of the teaching of the

Canons on election and reprobation?

Report 30 is now an officially adopted way for our Chr. Ref. Church to read the Canons on the point of election and reprobation.

You stated in your article that all the delegates voted knowledgeably on this deeply theological matter, while at the same time you stated that during the three and a half hour discussion the speakers were relatively few. To my recollection there were hardly any elders involved in the discussion and the one elder who was involved was assistant professor in Church history at "Westminster."

The point at stake is that the Report 30 agrees often with Dr. Boer in his Scriptural exegesis, so that the Scriptural support which was heretofore unquestioned as quoted in the Canons on the point of repro-

bation, is now officially criticized. The Report also points out that there are serious improper translations in the Canons from the official Latin text into the English. These mis-translations give serious cause to misunderstanding the Canons. So far as doctrine is concerned, the Report disagrees with Dr. Boer.

To my mind, the Report 30 contains a wealth of new insights into the understanding of the Canons of Dort on the point of election and reprobation. I agree that all of the delegates were knowledgeable men and as such they voted, but I still wonder in what way the delegates were knowledgeable.

I hope that all know that we have officially adopted Report 30.

Rev. Anthonie Vanden Ende,
Strathroy, ON

(Editor's Note: The study committee report on Dr. Boer's gravamen provided some new insights into the doctrine of reprobation. Some delegates had some questions about scriptural interpretation of some texts and in that way found it difficult to adopt the study committee report as the official church position on reprobation. There were, however, some very good elements in the report and Synod did not want to lose those insights. Synod therefore chose to "refer" the report to the churches rather than use the original text which read "recommend." Synod, in my mind, was saying: Report 30 is not the final word (adopted position) on reprobation but it makes a significant contribution towards this discussion so let's give it to the churches as a guideline.)

Millions of Bibles find new homes

The fields that look white

by Jack Quartel

Rev. Quartel is pastor in Ottawa's Calvin Christian Reformed Church.

Some areas of our world are black with despair. Some are gray with suffering and misery. Some are red with anger and threat of war. How terrible and disappointing.

Only between all these colours there is also another one. Large areas of this world look white, ready for the harvest. Large areas of this world look white with hunger. Not the hunger of the stomach, but the hope giving hunger for the Word.

We live in strange times, but then, the Bible is a strange and unique book. There is no other book like it. Everyone knows that it has been a best-seller, that it has far outsold any other book, during all the years and centuries that books have been printed and sold.

If that is amazing, it is only the beginning. It is also the book that takes a hold of people. It provides information like any other book, but it does far more than that. It reaches for the heart, and transforms it, forever. There is not another book like it.

It is not a book that is always easily read, as all of us know from experience, and still it is understood and devoured. Sometimes not by the educated and sophisticated people of our world. But the simple and almost illiterate take it, read it, and find salvation, they meet the Lord, and discover the answer for their questions. The vacuum in their lives is filled.

That has been happening for years and centuries, but never

as often as it does today. Particularly in Latin America.

► Latin America

Less than two decades ago, Latin America was solidly in the grip of Roman Catholicism. So solidly that it was almost impossible to reach people with the gospel. Mission work was done in constant peril of life. The Roman Catholic Church was unrelenting in its desire to keep the Word from the people.

Today that grip has broken. The barrier between the Good News and the people has been blown up. The iron grip has relaxed. As a matter of fact, the Roman Catholic Church itself has changed and often leads in requesting New Testaments for the satisfaction of the hunger of its people. Our world knows hunger. Hunger so terrible and so widespread that we almost despair of doing something about it.

But our world also knows another hunger as it never knew it before. Hunger for the Word. And it too is so widespread that we hardly know where to begin. Only by the grace of God we have begun, and we shall meet that hunger.

► Bolivia

A few years ago the breakthrough came in Bolivia. The state department of Education requested one million New Testaments from the World Home Bible League. Not to be handed to the people but to be placed in schools. Not only would there be a guarantee that they would be read, there was a guarantee that they would be studied. That was a unique challenge. The League could not afford to pass that

up, even though that many New Testaments required funds the League did not have at that time.

Now these New Testaments have almost all been placed. A mere 80,000 are still waiting to be distributed. And the reading of the Word has made an impact on the country.

One hundred and thirty churches have helped in distributing Project Philip Bible study courses. Twenty thousand people have completed the full course. More than half have committed their lives to the Lord. And almost every one of these people are steadfast in attending church.

The Wycliffe Bible Translators have long been working in this country. Within the next few years they will pull out, mission accomplished. All translations completed, and printed by the League. That means that the Word will be within reach of everyone in that country.

► Peru

The amazing thing is, that once this thing began it could not be stopped anymore. It was contagious, and it leapt from one country to another. In Peru there is a strong movement in the Armed Forces, among soldiers and officers, toward Bible study. The League received an urgent request to send a large grant of New Testaments.

Last year the League placed 50,000 New Testaments in classrooms. The request for 1980 is another 50,000.

Wycliffe has just dedicated another New Testament. Two more translations will be finished in the course of this year.

► Brazil

Brazil is a large country, with more than 120 million people. And practically no one has a Bible. When a nation like that awakens spiritually we will be faced with the appetite of a giant. And that is just what has happened. State educators are appealing for millions of Bibles to be placed in schools.

State of Rio de Janeiro. One million New Testaments were promised, and that many have been sent and placed. They have requested another half-million.

State of Espirito Santo. Some 270,000 New Testaments have already been sent. The next request is for another 30,000.

State of Pernambuco. There are a million and a half students here. The state request is for 300,000. The Presbyterian Seminary, whose director is Rev. Francisco Schalkwyk, brother of Rev. Leo Schalkwyk of Williamsburg, Ont., has requested 10,000 New Testaments. A few Canadian churches hope to fill that need.

Another Presbyterian church requested 2,000 New Testaments.

State of Estaiapu. After a first initial contact the request by the Lutheran church is for 10,000 New Testaments.

And so the requests keep on snowballing. Who could have dreamed that ten years ago, I

remember that about that long ago, Mr. Chapman, the founder of the World Home Bible League, at a conference, asked us to join him in praying for a million dollar budget. We did join him, but we smiled, because it seemed so unrealistic. Now that budget is far over \$5 million. And it could be bigger. Far bigger. The requests, the need, the challenge is far bigger. We are only limited by the ability and willingness of people to give.

And the response to all this keeps on coming in. People writing how they found the Lord, because one of the children was allowed to take the New Testament home from school once.

The Latin American coordinator for the World Home Bible League writes: "We have definite requests for a million New Testaments for placement in the classrooms of Latin America in 1980. The fields are ripe. Often I feel as a farmer in the middle of a 200 acre plot of rich, well-prepared soil, ready for seeding but with only enough seed for 10 acres."

For once we can say that we are living in a time that offers challenges, open doors to hope, times that show the power of God, like no other time before us. And like no other time may after us.



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PASTORAL PONDERING

Family visitation needs combined input

Dr. P.Y. De Jong in a book, *Taking Heed to the Flock*, notes that, "Too often family visitation tends to degenerate into a social call. Then it is time and effort wasted to call upon all the members each year. But if we remember the spiritual duty of exercising oversight in the name of Christ, we will not be remiss in preparing ourselves for this work, knowing that no one is sufficient to these things of himself." So true! Our concern is that family visitation in Vernon hasn't necessarily degenerated into a social call, but into no call at all! This fact is of some concern.

Consistory members are most acutely aware of this fact, and regret it. There is concern that this means of pastoral care is not being exercised to its maximum potential. Every consistory member has been given some guidelines to assist him in conducting the visit. Some feel more at home with doing it than others. God uses different gifts in different ways. Nevertheless, the concern remains the same, the concern for the family of God at Vernon. We remain convinced of the need and ministry of family visitation. As your pastor, I would encourage you to pray for our elders as they conduct this important task in being the growing church of Jesus Christ. They need and solicit your prayers.

Family visitation requires dedication and determination. This is true also on the family's part. It requires a willingness to listen to the elder(s) as officebearers in the church who come in the name of Jesus Christ and his authority, not their own, surely. As such too, they should expect and receive the full cooperation of the congregation. Thus you can assist them by placing family visitation on your priority list. This means that you do whatever possible to encourage this important visit, and that may include some rescheduling of other activities. Surely, an annual adjustment should be made to accommodate your district elder, that is, nothing else can be done. A good visit is a profitable visit in terms of mutual encouragement and expression of concern is a most individual and pastoral way.

I would like you to look forward to the visit by your elder. Your elder is determined to serve his Lord and realizes that his "sufficiency is from God" (II Cor. 3:5). The goal is to assist one another as servants to the goal of maturity in Christ, (Col. 1:28, 29). As your pastor, I try to accompany some of the elders some of the time, realizing that time and evenings free don't allow me to go on all visits. But do appreciate being able to go on some. The Vernon Chr. Ref. Church still stands in a church tradition that takes family visitation — and that means the whole family — very seriously. It is all part of the task of building the church of Jesus Christ here on earth. Let's do it together!

Let me close with Dr. De Jong's comment: "They must rebuke those who err, lovingly but firmly. The undershepherds seek the erring sheep and lead them back to the shelter of the fold as they comfort and speak words of consolation and cheer."

Rev. G.G. Vink,
Chr. Ref. Church, Vernon, BC

Good advice for the Alberta government

Following are the contents of the letter sent by Trinity Council to the Honourable Premier, Mr. Peter Lougheed, with copies to the Attorney General and the Minister of Hospitals and Medical Care.

"Herewith the Council of Trinity Christian Reformed Church of Edmonton wishes to register its deep concern for the great number of abortions that are presently performed in the Province of Alberta. Please note that, whereas in 1969 some 309 abortions were performed, in the year 1978, some 6,639 abortions were performed, plus 537 repeat abortions. It is our conviction that presently many lives are unjustly killed.

"We wish to explain our view of man and human life, as articulated by the Synod of our denomination in 1972 (Acts of Synod, 1972, p. 480).

• "Human life is a very special sense, a gift of God and is of inestimable value in his sight. God created man in his own image so that he stands unique among the works of God as one bearing a special relationship to him and as one who bears the special imprint in his life of the work of the Creator.

• "Man has a unique eternal destiny so that he, in apparent distinction from the rest of terrestrial beings, in some way or other, lives forever.

• "Because of man's uniqueness as God's image bearer, his life is especially protected by God's commandment, "Thou shalt not kill." The Bible does not recognize the right of men to terminate another's life under certain carefully prescribed circumstances (such as in a just war, at God's express command, or under circumstances determined judicially by duly constituted authorities), but man is never given the right arbitrarily or wantonly or for selfish gain to destroy human life.

• "The Bible specifically requires that man is always to act toward his neighbour in love, to promote his well-being and to seek his best interests. An at-

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titute of deliberate hatred towards another human being, therefore, is to desire or promote that person's destruction and is thus considered tantamount to the sin of murder.

"We, as Council, wish to affirm that only under the most unusual circumstances may the termination of human embryonic life be considered as a viable option. We wish to affirm that it is the Government's duty to protect the life of unborn as well as born citizens. We, therefore, humbly ask the Government to introduce legislation which will duly consider the rights of its unborn citizens."

Trinity Chr. Ref. Church,
Edmonton, AB

If they only knew

Those 60-odd Red Chinese sailors! That they should land in a Protestant church service last Sunday evening! Striking about them was that nobody seemed to have a rank — or did they? They were identically dressed in their navy blue suits with high closed collars and no further sign of distinction. None spoke a single word of English or other Western tongue. But they rose as one man — like the rest of us — when a tall blond man motioned them to rise at the end of the service for the benediction. Rev. Uittenbosch must have appeared to them almost as one of them. One thing seemed different: he had a white collar above that dark shirt. No doubt a leader, they must have thought. The Greek, Pakistani and Indian seafarers did slightly better. Communication went a little easier. And with the United Church ladies and their spiritual leader, we had no problem at all. However, where we failed to come across, the Holy Spirit may have found a fertile soil. Please remember us all in your prayers.

C.A. Mons,
First Chr. Ref. Church,
Montreal, PQ

praise: lute, harp, trumpet, strings and loud cymbals.

Many of the psalms command the people to sing praise to God, with new songs, and playing of instruments. They also note instructions to the choir-master, indicating the use of trained choirs in worship (see Ps. 54).

When the ark of the covenant returned to Jerusalem and plans were made for former temple worship, King David appointed musicians from the family of Heman to "praise and prophecy . . . with lyres, harps, cymbals . . . and those trained in singing to the Lord . . . altogether two-hundred and eighty-eight" (Chronicles 16 and 25).

So we can see that the use of musical instruments and voices constituted an important part of Israel's worship. Music in our worship service need not be limited to organ and congregational singing, although these are valuable. There should be room for choirs (large or small), new hymns sung by the congregation, and many instruments. Remember the service of joy we had not long ago with adult baptism and confessions of faith, and our joyful singing then accompanied by the Calvin College Band ensemble?

First Chr. Ref. Church,
Chatham, ON

The future of the Reformed Church in Canada

Ted Dykstra shared with us on a meeting he attended regarding the Council of the Reformed Church in Canada. Issues discussed were: the establishment of a Particular Synod for Canada, the establishment of a field secretary for Canada, the establishment of a Classis of Canada, and money designated for establishing a church in Ontario be sent for the Church in Western Canada.

Ted Dykstra is Vice President of the Council.

Emmanuel Community Ref. Church,
Edmonton, AB

Praise ye the Lord!

From earliest times, music has been an important part of the worship of God's people. Both musical instruments and voices lifted in jubilant (or repentant) song have formed a vital part of the response of God's people to his Words. Congregational singing is one of the primary ways in which to do this.

Enoch's grandsons made lyres — a kind of harp (Genesis 4), and Miriam accompanied her dance and song of joy with timbrels (Ex. 15). Psalms 150 lists many instruments of

Another "home" in Bowmanville?

The Committee for the Home for the Aged in Bowmanville is preparing a need study for accommodation for the elderly and request our cooperation in finding out how many elderly in our congregation would possibly consider submitting an application for consideration of a future home for the aged. For further information and/or possible appointments contact: Peter Feddema, 10 Martin Rd., R.R.#6, Bowmanville, ON.

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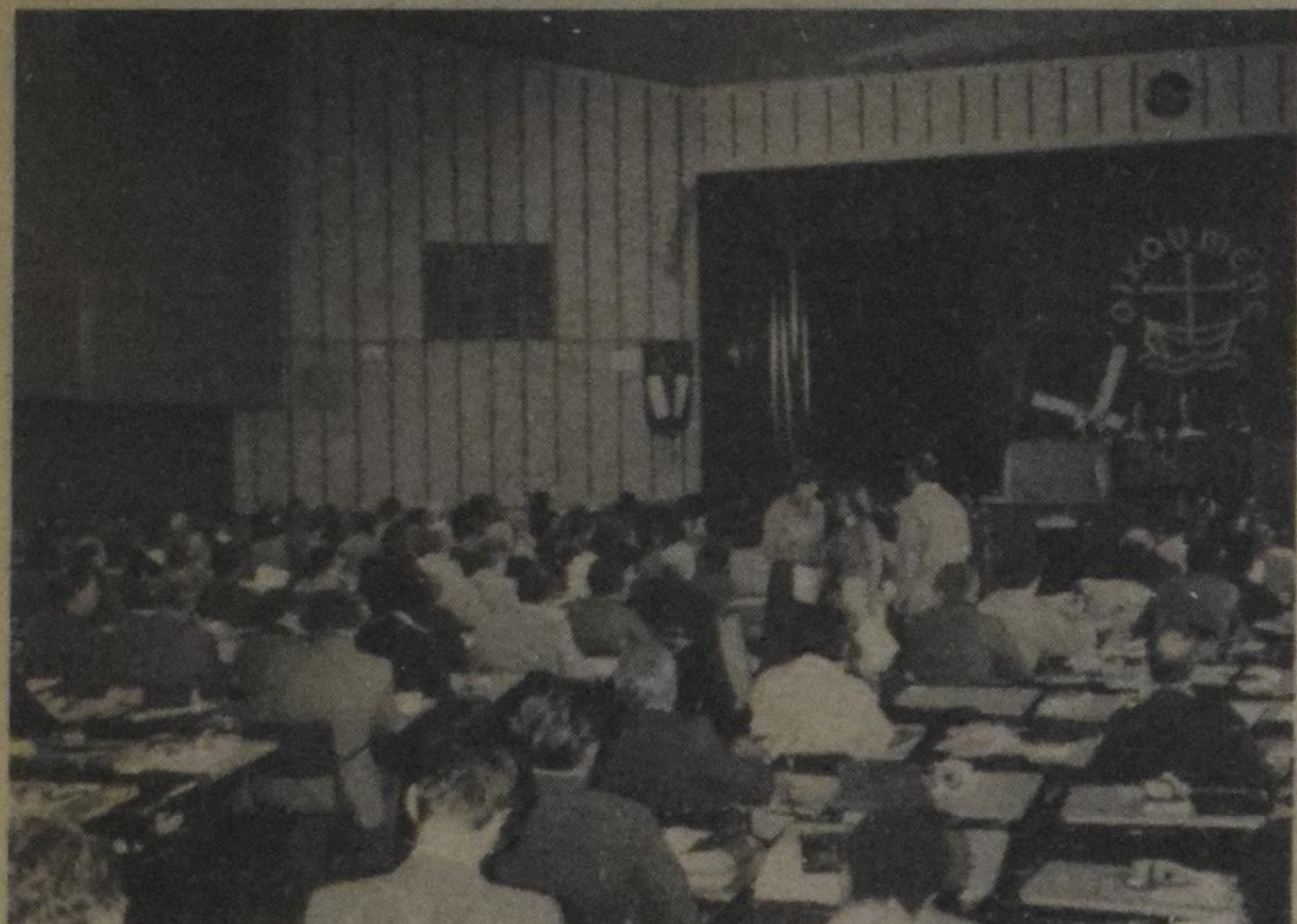
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World Missions Conference — "The ugly missionary"



Delegates to the World Missions and Evangelism Conference in Melbourne, Australia, dealt with cramped quarters and heated debates. Here, a few delegates gather around a floor microphone to take part in the discussions.

by Arent de Graaf

Dr. de Graaf, of Forest Hill, Australia, is a member of the interim committee of The Reformed Ecumenical Synod who participated in the World Missions and Evangelism Conference held in Melbourne, Australia. In this series of four articles for *Calvinist Contact* he writes about the conference and its implications for the Reformed community.

One day in the almost-two-week World Missions and Evangelism Conference ("Your Kingdom Come" May 1980) was set aside for looking at the host country, Australia. It started with a plenary session featuring a multi-media presentation (slides, films, short talks, songs) on conditions in this land.

I am afraid that it all was rather negative: loneliness in the big cities, industrial conflicts, ruthless multinationals, exploitation of both the Aborigine and the poor immigrant, especially when coming from Eastern Europe and Asia, abused factory-fodder due to lack of knowledge of English.

Having come into this country as an immigrant myself, and having lived over 26 years among immigrants who have found a new life here and prosperity in spite of the struggle those first years, I was wondering at times if I heard them talk about the same place!

Right in the middle of this litany came the address from Joyce Clague, an Aboriginal woman who boldly stated that "the only gospel the churches ever brought her people is a gospel(?) of murder, plunder and poverty" and Australia's churches were doing this still today. The churches were just the "servants of the political Establishment."

Well, if you know a bit about the way our nation was founded, the utter cruelty not just towards the Aborigines but just as much of white against white, the suffering of the convicts and the harsh labour situation that spawned one of the most militant labour union

movements in the world, you can have sympathy with this kind of view. Our climate of life is a harsh one, and the conflict model is baked right into the social fabric of this land, and the affluence that came in the 'sixties' has not made it much better.

But right into this rough scenario Children of God have come to proclaim good news, and they did so with the sacrifice of their own lives. Anglicans, Presbyterians, Methodists, yes also Roman Catholics, have borne the cross of Christ Jesus into these situations. The Church of England sought to work among the convicts when all they got for their troubles was burnt down churches, and strong Evangelical Churches sending missionaries to countries far and wide as a result.

Especially the Methodist Church, right from its beginnings in Australia, has felt strong responsibility for the salvation and welfare of the Aborigines and while the white early settlers on the whole did treat them abominably, and saddled them up with our liquor (which they could not handle) our illnesses (which dragged them to their graves by the droves) and our social structure (into which they had trouble to fit) there were hundreds of Christ-believing and people-loving Christians who brought them the Message of the Lord Jesus, gave them education and health care, food and shelter, and — when at times they reverted to unfamiliar ways — sought to understand.

Oh sure, it was done in a paternalistic, patronizing way, but then was that not the common approach of white "civilization" everywhere, aided by a sense of obligation: "we must give them the good things we have?"

That Joyce Clague protested against a denial of freedom to live their own life, and of the rights to their land, had good reason. Also, that she lamented the lack of support of Christians and churches in this struggle. But, at a World Missions and Evangelism Conference, was it right to keep quiet about the Gospel of

Christ who died for whoever trusts in Him, the Gospel that has brought many Aborigines, too, into everlasting life? The love shown by those who brought that News, could it and should it be ignored, buried under a big crackling pile of angry protest?

□ Mission criticism

I mention this episode rather extensively, because this happened so much at this Conference! It was a Conference on World Mission and Evangelism and overwhelmingly large was the presence there of the Third World. But the missionary proclamation of Christ that gave rise to these Third World churches was criticized so harshly, if not "rubbished" outright! It was stated in papers and from the floor again and again that these "Missions" rode into these lands on the back of colonial, enslaving powers, not just to bring the Message of Christ's salvation, but also to bring oppression, and exploitation and bad Western patterns of life, later on the bane of the Transnational Corporations. Something like: Missions came first, but it turned out to be all Coca Cola in the end.

More severe even was the criticism, that those enslaving oppressing powers rode in on the back of the Missions! The church opened the way for the slave drivers. A blond, Western "Jesus" still dominates the brown and black churches themselves, as Professor Kosuke Koyama from Japan said in his opening address of discussions in Section IV (a paper very much worth reading by the way): "Western knowledge and even western language is the only way you can get anywhere even in our Oriental churches! Is that not domination of that culture over ours?" Well, anyone who has attended Indonesian Reformed Churches today will indeed notice that these brothers and sisters from a centuries-old culture of great beauty when it comes to praising God, do so in slowly-sung Dutch tunes!

There was at the conference also a delegate from Zimbabwe (what used to be Rhodesia) who openly in plenary session thanked the World Council of Churches for help given in their "war of liberation." Loud and long applause followed these words. But then this lady continued: "All that the church preached in days gone by, is that things would come right in heaven. Here on earth we had better submit and endure!"

But is that true? I happen to know some of the white (yes, even South African white!) missionaries who worked in that land. I met some of them at the RES meetings at Cape Town in 1976. Later on, I met some in 1978, at Pretoria. They attended the meetings with their black brethren and, afterwards, went back there.

Never mind the threatening situation. One of them was murdered there with wife and children later on.

There was the angry voice of the Kampen graduate, Dr. Allan Boesak, coloured South Africa, now student pastor in Cape Town. "The white church conspires together with the white Caesar to oppress and to kill. Good News for the oppressed can only be good if it is bad news for the oppressors! And the day of reckoning is coming fast!" (i.e. the day of civil war). And this minister serves the Dutch Reformed Mission Church!

□ Oppression

But there is a question that arises in me as I sit listening to these angry voices: "Is it possible that a Christian Church loses its very Message, its very identity as Servant of Jesus Christ, by being silent in the face of injustice? Can a church by such silence, become the means by which economic and political powers enslave others? Can it then happen when these oppressed people "wake up" that they are so frustrated that they forget the good thing the Church did at first?"

Archbishop Romero, the Roman Catholic leader shot dead in his El Salvador church by rightists who resented his stand on human rights, was revered as a martyr by this Conference.

His last sermon which ended with the words: "In God's name end the oppression!" was much quoted in the discussions. In more than one way, he is a symbol of what is going on at present. The name of his poor oppressed country is El Salvador — "The Saviour" that means.

Much of the theology at this Conference expressed just that: in the oppressed of the earth, Jesus suffers again, the main facet of His Person and task being: identification with the poor. (See next article for more about this aspect.)

Both Julia Esquivel, church worker among the poor in Guatemala who gave one of the opening plenary lectures (sample: "the U.S. government, with Israeli arms, spawns political murders by our inhuman governments every day!") and the Brazilian professor Joaquim Beato in his opening

lecture of Section I's work, pointed at American Protestants as the "villains of the piece," and their churches as servants of oppression and enslavement with the possible exception of the Pentecostals who mainly work among the poor of the land.

What struck me in the discussions was that the church in the West, the "free world," is called to protest, to resist the capitalist life-style, the transnational corporations, consumerism, and that in terms which have a clear Marxist slant.

But when Christians in Marxist-led countries (or as it was officially termed: countries with centrally planned economies) were addressed, more often than not the motto was: "keep out of politics!"

Clearly, the West must do this, too! The introductory speaker for Section III was Bishop John V. Taylor, Church of England, Winchester. He is well-known for his best seller, *Enough is Enough* in which he pleads for the voluntary adoption of a much more simple lifestyle by God's children "Live simply, that the poor might simply live!" How does a church in the affluent West credibly proclaim the Gospel in a world where over two-thirds of the people live in poverty and oppression? And where does one start with such proclamation? Section III had to discuss "The Church witnesses to the Kingdom," and Bishop Taylor set the keynote for this discussion in a plea for Church and Christians: "To take a vulnerable stance in the world, open to all fellow men, in the quiet assurance that none can separate us from God's love and seeking new ways on which the alienated modern man can recognize in us the coming Kingdom . . . and its King, the Crucified."

Yet, true though this is, must this witness rest on a distortion of history? What was the most important thing Missions and missionaries from Europe, from America, from Australia brought to Third World countries, to Aborigines? What message must be brought by that new force, largely forgotten and unnamed at this Conference: the missionaries from the Third World itself?

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CRC in focus

First in a series of monthly articles by Rev. Van Eek, executive secretary of the Council of Christian Reformed Churches in Canada.

◀ Refugee update

Very few refugees speak freely about their flight from the land of their oppression. Some talk of loved ones lost forever, of others missing, or still others known to be waiting with fading hope. But a story told often is no longer news. We know it already. We store it in our memory bank. We brace ourselves for other horror stories — meanwhile, this lowers the hope and raises the need of camp dwellers and fugitives around our world.

◀ What happens there?

South-East Asia: Refugees are still fleeing Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea. Today a few camps are closed down. More have been opened. In all, some 260,000 refugees are hoping for help. They live in Indonesia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia and Thailand. Because of the political tension and war between freedom fighters in Kampuchea and armies invading from Vietnam, there are yet another 500,000 Kampuchians living in tent cities along the border.

Near East: In Greece, 4,000 Christians live in camps. Greece wants them to move on. They have fled from Iran, Iraq, Turkey and Lebanon. The wars and religious persecution by Islam will drive many others to flee their home countries.

Africa: Somalia ranks among the 30 poorest countries of the world. Average income is \$85 per person per year. But in one year, its population swelled by one million refugees. Religious persecution

and civil war in Ethiopia make early return to homelands unlikely. The Ambassador of Somalia to Canada has appealed to Canada for help in feeding these multitudes. To date, Canada's tax-supported total international aid amounts to one half of one percent of our gross national income. Of that amount, Canadians give about a dime each to the ten million refugees in the world.

South America: Leaders of established Christian churches in El Salvador, Argentina and Chili plead for help of free-world churches. They plead that we put pressure on the military regime of their country. Argentina's military junta abducts and imprisons people suspected of affiliation with church, trade union or political groups who are sympathetic to freedom and justice. A recent law authorizes the government to declare that if these "missing persons" have not been heard from for 90 days, then they are presumed dead. Escaped Argentinians have told of the torture unto death of their freedom-loving friends. Argentina has promised to release up to 100 political prisoners, if they have a visa and a sponsor. Canada has promised to welcome 100. To date, eight have arrived. Under similar fear, people flee El Salvador and Chili. Cuba and Haiti now add their own victims in flight.

◀ What happens here?

In the face of the gross injustice done by people in power in the world areas mentioned, we could hope for a strong protest from Canada. Instead, there is fear in high places that Argentina will not buy the Candu nuclear energy plant if Canada protests the persecutions there. The churches renew their

pressure. In short, political interests and jobs for Canadians get in the way of a straight forward call for righteousness.

Instead of offering asylum to those who appeal for it, lengthy procedures to determine if the person's fear for his or her life is well-founded, prohibit most refugees from applying at all. If their government finds out they have applied for a visa, they will suffer still more.

Again, in Canada the government's popularity will not rise if it increases Canada's help to the hungry in other lands. And finally, in view of unemployment and the pressure from anxious Canadians, the minister for Employment and Immigration would not admit more than a total of 60,000 refugees into Canada in the two years 1979 and 1980 together! Please remember that large families and the disabled will not get in without sponsors. Meanwhile, some 75,000 people leave Canada each year to live in other countries — or twice the number of refugees admitted into Canada.

Churches together continue to press the Hon. Mr. Lloyd Axworthy and the government to do the following:

1. Plan for admission of refugees into Canada on the basis of their need and danger. Thus far, our government makes the number of refugee admissions a fixed portion of the total, annual immigration quota. It weighs Canada's ability to host them on their health, employability and their ability to adopt our lifestyle. Is Canada multicultural or a melting pot, after all?
2. Let churches and "private sector" help in setting refugee policy for Canada.
3. Drop the requirement of getting a

visa for people who live in lands where torture and imprisonment take place.

4. Accept the reports about persecution received from churches in other countries. Diplomatic sources are usually more distant and political and therefore less accurate.

5. Raise the number of planned admissions under government sponsorship for Latin America and other areas.

6. Drop ceilings on the number of private sponsorships.

7. Press for release and repatriation of political prisoners in Argentina, El Salvador and Chili.

8. Broaden the definition of "family member" under the family reunification program.

9. Speed up and increase direct aid in food, health and shelter to countries of refugee, as Somalia and Thailand.

10. Foster, staff and fund efforts at community rebuilding in the countries torn by war.

11. Press other governments to turn from injustice and repression.

12. Support the work of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in relief and settlement of the displaced peoples in second countries.

The government has repeatedly praised the work of churches which have helped refugees. It has also turned more often to the churches to test ideas and ask for help. It is clear that public servants respect the overtures of those churches most, which have sponsored most actively. In this much talked about partnership of government and churches both need to do their utmost in aid of the dispossessed. Meanwhile, only Christians are moved by the compassion of Christ. Will it move them to sponsor again?



PASTORAL COUNSELING

The great society

by Ralph Heynen

We've heard and read a good deal about this "Great Society" that has been promised to us by the last several political leaders. Some of them used a different name for it, but the idea was that we were promised an unprecedented prosperity from the cradle to the grave. We're going to be protected by a paternalistic government which will provide for us in every need.

We're going to conquer poverty; we're going to be secure and comfortable. When there is sickness there will be health care; when we're out of work there will be special assistance; when there is any kind of difficulty you can lean upon the government. This "Great Society" will give us secure existence in today's world.

In many ways that great society has fallen apart at the seams. The things that have been promised us, and held out before us as ideals that we could expect to have, are gradually dwindling. The government itself is having financial problems. With ever-increasing taxation and ever-increasing cost of government we have been forced into inflation to such an extent that we wonder how things can ever again be straightened out. There has still been a lot of insecurity in the hearts of people. In previous generations we had wars. We've seen ups and downs in the spiral of the economic life. And when you look about and see the circum-

stances in the world, the great society doesn't seem to be functioning too well.

How did David face it all? He didn't whistle in the dark and say: Oh, things aren't so bad! But he could say: "I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." There's a statement used about David as he faced some of his enemies: "And David strengthened his heart in the Lord his God." This means that man's restless search for security finds its goal in the inescapable God. It's when the guilty one finds refuge in a gracious Saviour that he finds security for his life. And it's when one knows within his soul that he's felt the touch of a healing power of Christ in his life that he can walk securely beside the still waters. Then he can carry on, even to the end of the road.

The Psalmist in another place says: "Keep your heart with all diligence." The heart is very deceitful. We must be on our guard to keep the inner citadel of the soul under control. Watch the gates of the heart so that the evil desires and longings that are concealed there do not spring forth to do us harm. We keep the heart also by cherishing and nourishing those thoughts that are well-pleasing to God. Then the loftier desires of the heart come into expression in deeds and works of service and devotion to the Lord. Keep your heart!

I like all of this, because it removes from us that strange superficial view of life that is so evident in today's world.

People make so much about external things. And many seem to feel that as long as they don't bring the inner thoughts to expression then we've conquered ourselves.

Jesus teaches us clearly that hatred, hostility, lust and envy — things that remain within our hearts — must be brought under control. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth that which is good. An evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil.

The realm of our desire colours our outlook upon life: The way we are living in this world. It's what we are that counts, even better, what we have become through the grace of God. It is evident that it is most important that we bring our hearts under the control of Christ, that we pray that the spirit of God may dwell there and bring us a sense of security.

The Great Society may collapse around us and there are many indications that the securities that men have sought in the Great Society of our day are gradually disappearing. Lean more on the inner resources of the heart because that's the thing that gives us security. When you think of that kind of security, we're not going to say in a superficial way: "Well, everything will turn out all right! We've got to look on the bright side! Things aren't really that bad! It will soon blow over!"

Let's face the facts squarely, objectively, without a lot of emotionalism. We can see that it's what we are in the depths of our souls that gives us the kind of security that we need. A secure person looks at the facts, examines them carefully and then calculates his conclusions. But the Christian who is secure adds to it another dimension — he looks at it through the eyes of faith — faith in God and in Christ Who has done so much for us. That kind of security is far more important.

Our earthly pilgrimage isn't long, the journey of life ultimately speeds on towards its close. And the real security we need is a security also when life comes to its end. Secure even in the face of death! If I may use the words of David once more: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me." That's the kind of security we need today! And that's the kind of security we need when we finally reach the end of life's road.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Like the flowers uplifted to the sun, like trees that bend before the storm, like sleepy lakes that mirror fleecy clouds, like the harp to the hand, like the echo to the song, so may be the reflection in our hearts of the love of God in Christ.

The Adventures of the Jolly Baker

by W.G. Vandehulst



141. "You know? Then where is it?" asked Mrs. Bumble.

"Oh, I'll probably never find it anyway. I heard something fall as we crossed that stone bridge back there. I thought it was a pebble that fell out of the wagon. But it must have been my ring. I'm going back to take a look. Are you coming, Bumble? Four eyes are better than two. The missus can keep an eye on the donkey."

"All right," said Bumble, "let's go."

"Fine!" said Mrs. Bumble. "Take your time. Such a beautiful ring! It would be a shame to lose it. Especially since it belonged to your grandfather, the baker. Search carefully!"

Almost running, the two men disappeared around a bend in the road. Fat Baker Bumble puffing to keep up.

142. They headed back to the stone bridge. They searched on the bridge, on the road, between the rocks, in the grass.

Suddenly, near the bridge the pedlar shouted, "I found it! I found it!" He jumped for joy.

Baker Bumble, who had just spotted something shiny near the bridge railing, was startled by the sudden shout. He looked up, too late to see that his new friend had not picked the golden ring up from the ground, but had quickly slipped it out from under his shirt.

"I found it! Oh, I found it! Wouldn't my grandfather be happy! I found it over there by that rock," he fibbed. "Oh, I'm so glad I got it back!"

143. As they started back to the wagon, the happy pedlar said, "Baker Bumble, you love animals, don't you?"

"Yes, especially birds," he answered.

"Do you like wild bunnies?"

"Oh, yes. They are very lovable little creatures."

"Well, let me show you some wild bunnies—hundreds of them. When we crossed this bridge a while ago I saw them hopping into the woods over there. I think we scared them. It's such a beautiful, sunny day, I'd bet my gold ring on it that now they're all sitting in the field on the other side of the woods basking in the sun. Come on, let's go see. We'll follow this creek. But be very quiet or else you'll scare them off."

144. Overwhelmed by the pedlar's flow of words, and also eager to see so many lovable little bunnies, the soft-hearted baker allowed himself to be led by his new friend.

They had to cross the creek. When they came out of the woods, they saw that a board had been put across the creek as a footbridge. "Come on," whispered the pedlar. Carefully they tiptoed over the board to the bushes on the other side. They hid behind a row of shrubs.

"Look, there they are. I see them already. Hurry!"

Baker Bumble quickly wriggled through the bushes to see them too. Yes, there they went, hopping across the meadow—three bunnies, their white cottontails bobbing above the grass.



145. "But there are many, many more bunnies in the woods," said the pedlar. "You wait here. I'll flush them out so you can see them."

Baker Bumble stayed where he was. The pedlar, still babbling noisily, darted back out of the bushes, across the board bridge. "Hiyaal Hiyaal!" he hollered, beating the bushes with a stick as if to flush out a whole army of rabbits. But rabbits were the furthest thing from his mind. He was looking for something else. His eyes roamed about. Yes, there it was—a round rock. He stole a look back. No, Bumble wasn't looking. Hurriedly, he pushed the stone under one end of the board that lay across the creek. Then he went back to beating the bushes. "Hiyaal!"

146. One little rabbit shot out of the woods into the meadow.

"Well," said Baker Bumble, "I don't see very many of them, but they are cute little creatures." He wriggled out of the bushes and started back toward the board.

"Yes, I'm disappointed," the pedlar babbled on from the far side of the creek. His eyes were fixed on Bumble's boots. "Let's go, Bumble. The missus will be getting worried because we're staying away so long. She'll scold us both."

"Yes, I know. But she's a good wife. She just has starchomania. Everything has to be smooth and straight. But she has a heart of gold."

He set one boot on the end of the board.

147. He had one foot on the board. Now the other.

"My this board is wobbly," he said.

"Yes, hurry!" urged the pedlar. "Come on, walk fast. I just crossed it myself. Just make a quick dash. That's it."

The jolly baker took two quick steps. "H-h-help!" he cried. Too late! The board had already tipped.

Splash! The fat baker tumbled headfirst into the creek. He didn't hurt himself, and the water wasn't deep. But he was soaked from head to foot.

"H-h-help!" he cried once more, badly shocked.

"What happened?" cried the pedlar, as if he, too, were shocked.

148. "Let me help you. Here, give me your hand." Kneeling, he seized Bumble by the arm and pulled. But his eyes betrayed wicked delight—delight and doubt. This had worked, but would the rest? The hardest part was still coming.

He hauled the fat baker out of the water. He pranced around him, acting more and more excited, talking faster and faster.

"Quick! Quick! Get up, get up! Take off your clothes! Hurry! Give me your cloak. I'll wring it out. Yes, your shirt too, of course. Hurry! And then your pants."

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Message not getting across to Third World

MILLIGAN COLLEGE, TN (EP) — Despite the unprecedented growth of Third World Christian broadcasting, "never before has the Gospel message been communicated with such little effect as it is today," says a Sri Lankan Christian broadcaster.

"In almost all the countries into which these massive communications efforts are being waged, Christianity is on the retreat," says Buddhist-born Neville D. Jayaweera, now a director of the Electronic Media Development Unit of the World Association for Christian Communication. "Large numbers of those who once claimed, at least nominally, to be Christian are now unostentatiously but steadily falling away from Christ."

Mr. Jayaweera's remarks came in an article appearing in the Milligan College publication, *Missiogram*. The Christian communication effort in the Third World, as it is currently fashioned, "is not only not yielding results that are in any way commensurate with the input, but may even be counter-productive in the sense that it may be rendering its objectives more difficult of realization," he said.

Mr. Jayaweera attributed this to "a persistent and appalling insensitivity to the social, economic and the political realities" of Third World peoples on the part of Christian communicators. As a result, he said, they have "all too often succeeded only in concealing the Gospel and generating prejudices towards images that are really only caricatures of the Gospel but which, in the minds of the local groups, are mistaken for the true Gospel."

The Sri Lankan said Christianity "came to most of the Third World, not as a message of salvation and liberation but as a concomitant to captivity and enslavement." As an institution, he said, it is "still identified as having been, after the army and the police," the most powerful weapon in the arsenal of the oppressor."

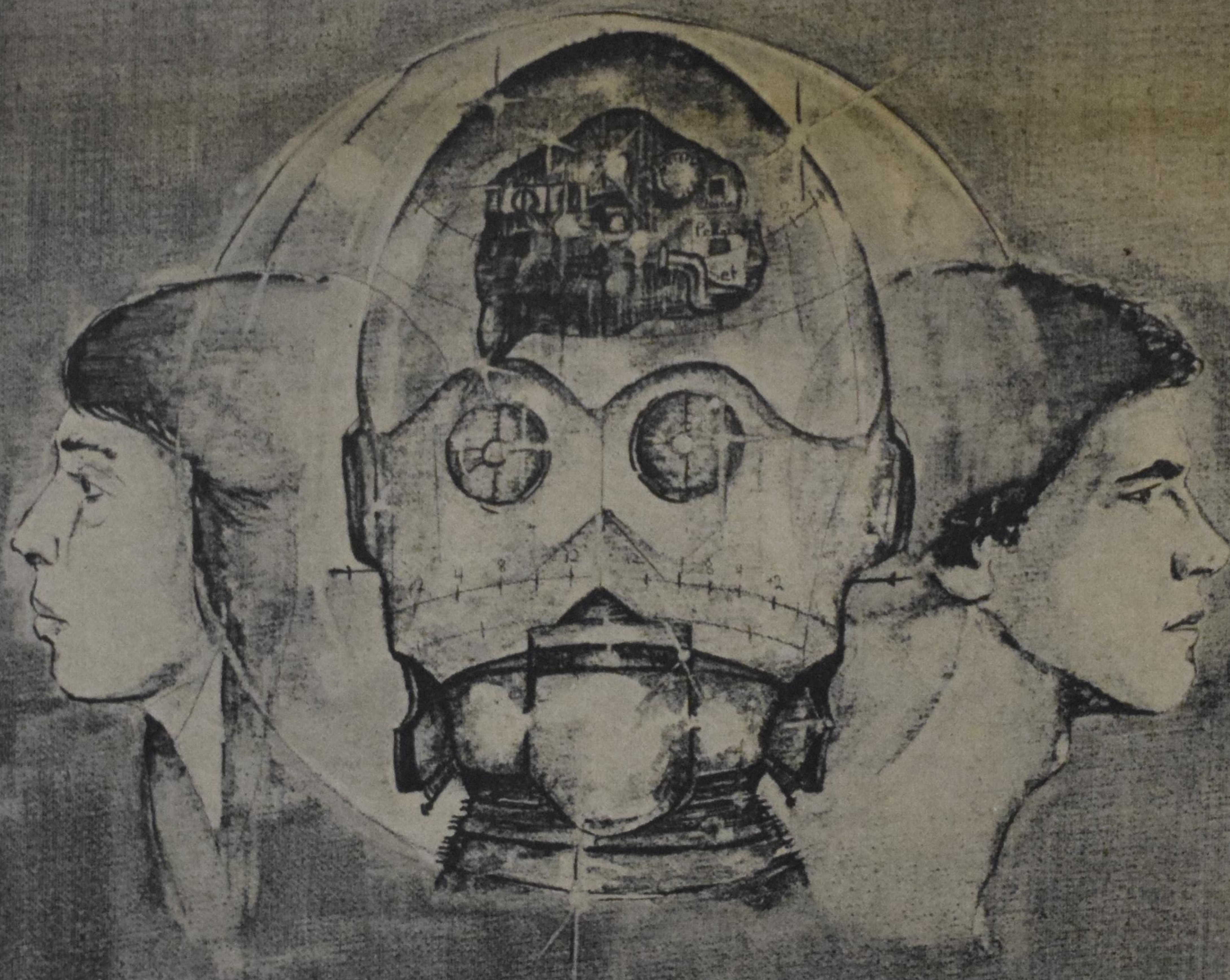
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WASHINGTON (EP) — Five fundamentalist leaders presented petitions with more than 74,000 signatures to the White House to express opposition to measures to protect the civil rights of homosexuals.

"Homosexuality is perversion and should be dealt with as unlawful moral deviation, not as a protected minority normal lifestyle," the petitions said. They were presented by Dr. Bob Jones III, president of Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC; the Rev. B. Robert Biscoe, executive director of the American Council of Christian Churches, Valley Forge, PA; Dr. Wendell Evans, chancellor of Hyles-Anderson College, Ham-

mond, IN; Dr. Rodney Bell, president of the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship, Virginia Beach, VA; and Dr. Allen Dickerson, pastor of Maranatha Baptist Church, Elkton, MD.

Members of the group were received by Dr. Robert Maddox, President Carter's liaison with the religious community. Dr. Jones said later that Dr. Maddox, a Southern Baptist minister, tried to convince them that the president "was not going to do anything to hasten homosexuals' acceptance into society." Dr. Jones commented. "If the president is against homosexuality, let's see some evidence."

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for the sorrows
others must bear?
For sickness and pain
that have come
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and destruction
in families
that seems to go on, forever?
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The committee has taken three excellent hymnbooks: *The Psalter Hymnal*, *The Children's*

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Canada's Anglicans sidestep action on unmarried couples

PETERBOROUGH, Ontario (EP) — The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada sidestepped action on a church report condoning couples who live together outside of marriage, referring it instead to the House of Bishops for further study. Speaker after speaker condemned the report before the synod asked the bishops to hammer out a "consistent pastoral policy" on unwed cohabitation couples.

"You can be compassionate

and still condemn what these people are doing," said Professor Donald Masters of Guelph University in Guelph, Ont. "We must love the sinner and hate the sin. This report and resolution should call on such couples to repent of their adultery."

Mr. Masters, a prominent church layman, told a special subcommittee of the church's doctrine and worship committee, "I find it absolutely incredible in a day of slipping

morals that the church should approve of something of which a good many moral heathens wouldn't accept." But some clergy said they favoured the report. Among them was the Rev. Gary Patterson of the Caledonia Diocese, who said he found the report "exciting and realistic." Within the past three years, he said, "everyone of the couples who have come to me to be married have already been living together for some time."

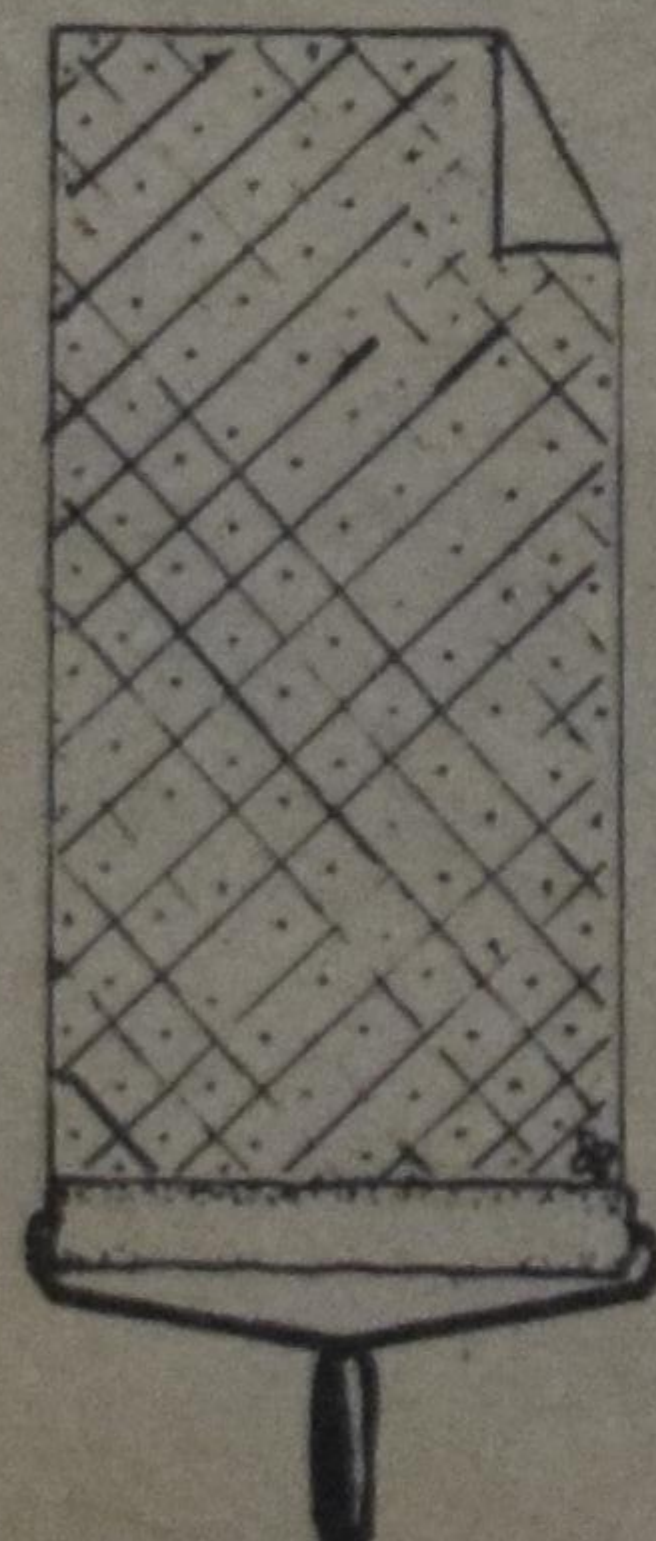
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Are Afghanistan's Pathans really historic Jews?

by John Martin

Mr. Martin is a freelance writer and historian from Lis-towel, ON.

A shocked world will not soon forget the events of the last days of 1979 when a large Soviet Russian army invaded Afghanistan. During these first months of 1980 rumors and predictions of an imminent global war were rife and it seemed that the free world once more was on a straight collision course with the forces of totalitarianism.

International tensions seem to have subsided somewhat, at least superficially. But serious damage has no doubt been done to the relations between the super powers, the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., while fear, unrest and uncertainty have afflicted and infiltrated into the ranks of the member states of NATO and the Warsaw Pact.

Add to this the growing global energy crisis and the increasing competition for other vital raw materials and commodities and we have the perfect ingredients for a prolonged international malaise on the political, military and economic level.

The hostage dramas in Tehran and Bogota in Columbia are only highlighting the dramatic situation at which global affairs have arrived.

In the meantime, in Afghanistan, a freedom-loving people is being brought to heel. During the last couple of months, much has been written in newspapers and magazines about the people of Afghanistan. They have been featured as immovable freedom fighters, resolutely opposed to foreign domination and the forces of atheism. Only recently there seems to be a noticeable slackening in the reporting about the fighting in Afghanistan.

It is unclear whether this increasing lack of news stories coming out of Afghanistan is due to a stringent censorship or an absence of qualified reporters. Or have people perhaps lost interest in the guerilla struggle going on in Afghanistan and become bored with the same platitudes about freedom and the need to stand up for its values?

In Afghanistan, a battle goes on for the mental and physical domination of the people. What kind of people actually are those Afghani?

The largest group, the Pathans, comprises 60 percent of the country's 14 million inhabitants. They live mainly in the northeast and east. In the south live the Baluchis while in the west dwell tribes which are closely related to the people of neighbouring Iran. Other interesting minorities live here and there.

It will be clear that the Pathans are by far the most numerous ethnic group of Afghanistan and they extend into Pakistan to the east, where they number several million. What is no doubt equally clear is that the Pathans by the sheer weight of their numbers are a force to be reckoned with for any power having imperialistic design on their homeland.

The Pathans have enjoyed a reputation as an extremely warlike people. Fighting was always a way of life and not just a last resort in the defense of freedom. Already in the 24th century history books they were pictured as staunch fighters embroiled in internal disputes and warfare while turning unitedly on foreign invaders and other outsiders; be they merchants, explorers or other innocent travellers.

During the Muslim conquest of Central Asia in the centuries after Mohammed's death, the Pathans became converts to Islam by the sword.

We do not exactly know which faith the Pathans adhered to before their forced conversion to Islam. Were they Buddhists or Hindus?

What we know, however, is that to the north of their country in what is now Soviet Central Asia, Christianity had taken hold as early as the 4th and 5th centuries in several large centres of trade and commerce like Samarkand, Bokhara and Tashkent.

A fascinating tradition still lives among the Pathans themselves to the effect that they consider themselves to be Jews. Wholly in line with this is their belief that a Messiah will come to dwell among them and lead them back into the Jewish faith. Knowing this, it is not hard to believe that in the past, the Pathans, although Moslems, have not shown the same antipathy and enmity towards Israel as exhibited by most Muslim and Arab nations. Could their lack of antipathy be based on a certain pride in their supposed Jewishness?

By the same token, the "Jewish" Pathans would not take kindly to a country like the U.S.S.R. where no doubt Jews are discriminated against.

What should we believe of a Pathan-Jewish connection. Is it indeed realistic to entertain the notion of a racial kinship between the two peoples? Again we must say that we do not know for sure. We only have the tradition of the Pathans' descent, which is not based on recorded facts. What we can say however is that historical traditions are not always worthless or inaccurate or more inaccurate than written sources.

Attempts have been made to identify the Pathans with known Jewish groupings of the past.

Besides the Pathans, Baluchis and others, a number of "real" Jews live in

Afghanistan; that is people who still adhere to their Jewish faith and traditions and refer to themselves exclusively as Jews. They do not call themselves Pathans, or Baluchis or Farsis. Of such "real" Jews or "identifiable" Jews there are some 5,000 in the country. These people were rediscovered during the last couple of centuries or so.

It is significant that the "real Jews" of Afghanistan always referred to themselves as descending from the Ten Lost Tribes, just like the other Jews of Central Asia which were found to be living in what are now the Soviet Republics of Central Asia. These Soviet Jews, too, were rediscovered after an apparently long isolation just like their Afghan co-religionists and fellow Jews.

We know from the Old Testament and from the relevant account by the Jewish historian Flavius Josephus in his history work "The Antiquities Of The Jews" that upon the conquest of Samaria the capital of the Kingdom of Israel in the year 722 B.C. by the Assyrian King, Sargon II, thousands of Israelites were deported from their country. According to Josephus they were dispersed over the cities of Assyria, while numbers of them were banished to the mountains of Media, beyond the rivers Euphrates and Tigris.

It is generally assumed that the Israelites, after their defeat at the hands of Assyria, soon lost their identity. We know that the Israelites which were left behind in Palestine, soon became amalgamated with the various settlers which Assyria dispatched to the former Kingdom of Israel. Their offspring entered history as the Samaritans, a mixture of religiously and culturally dis-oriented Jews without much of a strong national consciousness, and of various tribes from across the Assyrian Empire.

It has been said that the exiled Jews banished to Assyria and Media soon lost their identity. It is however possible that these people stuck together in their exile and clung to their traditions and Jewish religion long enough to make some impact on their heathen surroundings.

Is it possible that groups of these Jewish exiles, tracing back their origin to the Ten Tribes, wandered in subsequent centuries still further eastward during periods of political or economic turmoil or even in peace? Perhaps some of them were displaced even further to the east by some unknown decree of some local potentate. Of course all this is merely conjecture, although not absurd in the light of what scanty evidence we have.

It is a striking fact that the Jews of Central Asia and Afghanistan invariably claim

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Former cabinet minister goes to court to fight abortion

by Sharon LaPorte

Mrs. LaPorte has been an operating nurse for more than 10 years in major hospitals in Alberta and Saskatchewan. She is the current chairman of the Regional chapter of Campaign Life and has been closely associated with the trials of Joe Borowski, the former cabinet minister in his fight against abortion.

Joe Borowski, a former Manitoba cabinet minister, has not filed income tax for a number of years because he does not want his taxes to help pay for abortions. By so acting, he is breaking the law and has been sent to jail on various occasions.

Although he has suffered

much through those who exercise the power of the law, he has not succumbed to the modern notion that truths change with the times. For intolerance is essential when truths are at stake. The more divine the truth, the more intolerant we must be about the error. Christ died rather than compromise the Truth.

Prosecution and imprisonment have not stopped Joe from challenging the abortion law in a case he has launched against the office of the federal Minister of Justice. Represented by Dr. M.C. Shumiat-cher, Joe is basically arguing that the law as it stands should be declared inoperational, since it is in violation of the Canadian Bill of Rights.

The case has been a long

time in coming before the courts. One wonders whether the pharmaceutical firms and others were hoping that before it could be heard, Parliament might have removed abortion from the Criminal Code. With only 72 declared pro-life members in the last House of Commons and statements by the then Prime Minister Joe Clark that abortion should be a matter of choice between a woman and her doctor, its removal was a real possibility. If it were removed, it would be impossible to claim that abortion is in violation of an existing statute and efforts to condemn it through the courts could not be legally heard.

A preliminary hearing in the case was held January 15 in Court of Queen's Bench, Regina, to decide on jurisdiction. Mr. Collins, the representative for the Crown, argued that it had to be heard in federal court, whereas Dr. Shumiat-cher urged that it be heard in provincial court, contending that both courts have jurisdiction, but neither has exclusivity. It will take place in Regina regardless of jurisdiction, but one wonders why the Crown is insisting on a federal hearing. It is interesting that the federal Conservative opposition not too long ago took the Trudeau government to court over a federal matter and argued that the case be heard in a provincial rather than federal court. Why, I wonder? What goes on in courts at the federal level when an official government body prefers a provincial court?

Joe has suffered at the hands of a federal court before. He was handcuffed before his wife and children and led from the courtroom as if he were a man threatening violence. He was treated harshly in jail and harassed by officials who went so far as to make things difficult for the priest who visited him. He does not secretly harbor his fear of having to face a federal judge again.

If federal jurisdiction is decided on, Dr. Shumiat-cher will have to consider an appeal. Appeals take time and would add to the cost of the case. At the very least, the total legal proceedings will cost Joe \$200,000, but all he has so far is \$80,000 raised by pro-lifers. He believes that by forcing appeals and re-trials the federal government will try to deplete his funds so that the case may never be heard.

Although Dr. Shumiat-cher is charging only 50 percent of his usual fee, the costs of the case run high because he plans to bring witnesses from across the globe to testify on Joe's behalf and on behalf of the unborn. The cost of bringing in just one could run as high as \$10,000 and he plans to bring five or ten. The preliminary hearing cost Joe \$5,000, the case will undoubtedly end up in the Supreme Court of Canada,

and he cannot enter that court with less than \$100,000.

The tactics of the federal lawyer in the case are surprising. In the preliminary hearing, Mr. Collins argued that a private citizen does not have the right to question in a court of law the laws made by the Parliament of Canada. He suggests, rather, that Joe's complaints should have been taken to his M.P. Such a statement might have been appropriate during the time of the Divine Right of Kings or might still be appropriate in a totalitarian state. In a democracy, however, it has no validity whatever. For one thing, it is beside the point, for the preliminary hearing was held only to decide jurisdiction. For another, the audacity of the argument reveals a great deal of the attitudes of an official representative of the Crown.

Joe faced problems immediately preceding the hearing. During a radio talk show the day before, he announced that the hearing would get under way at 10 a.m. the following day and invited pro-lifers to turn out in support. The time was subsequently changed twice. One wonders whether this was done to dissuade the public from attending or to unnerve Joe.

But Joe is getting used to this sort of thing. The former cabinet minister's rewards for the pursuit of justice have been jail terms and a police record. He is not getting any younger and appears tired and worn. What keeps him going? Could it be that he has remembered something most of us have forgotten, that to be truly Christian one must match beliefs with action, that one must, in fact, imitate the life of Christ?

Pro-life Christians must massively support Joe during his trial, which provides an excellent opportunity for the pro-life movement to come forward in a united body. In this way they will give evidence to truth and support to a man who has suffered greatly for truth and justice. Let us converge on Regina, demanding justice for the unborn at this time when the eyes of the world will be on us, bringing with us our prayers as well as our convictions.

Joe needs all the support we can muster. As we have seen, a federal lawyer has already said that he does not have a case against the Crown. Is it possible that a federal judge, or any judge for that matter, could rule on that point and in effect end the matter? Incredible, you might say. But things equally incredible have happened in Canada in recent years.

For it is in Canada that the findings of modern science on the origin of life were ignored when the abortion law was amended in 1969; that the Canadian Bill of Rights, which is supposed to supersede all other legal enactments and

take priority over the Criminal Code, was not taken into account; that a law has remained in force for more than ten years condoning the premeditated slaughter of the unborn in a permissive atmosphere in which those directly responsible for the slaughter are paid for causing it; that therapeutic abortion committees have been established which are answerable to no one; that Members of Parliament have refused to give due weight to the evidence that the amendment to the abortion law, supposedly enacted to protect a woman's life and health, has proven to be a danger to their life and health, both physically and mentally; and that abortifacients, which are not provided for in the amended Criminal Code, are nevertheless passed off as contraceptives.

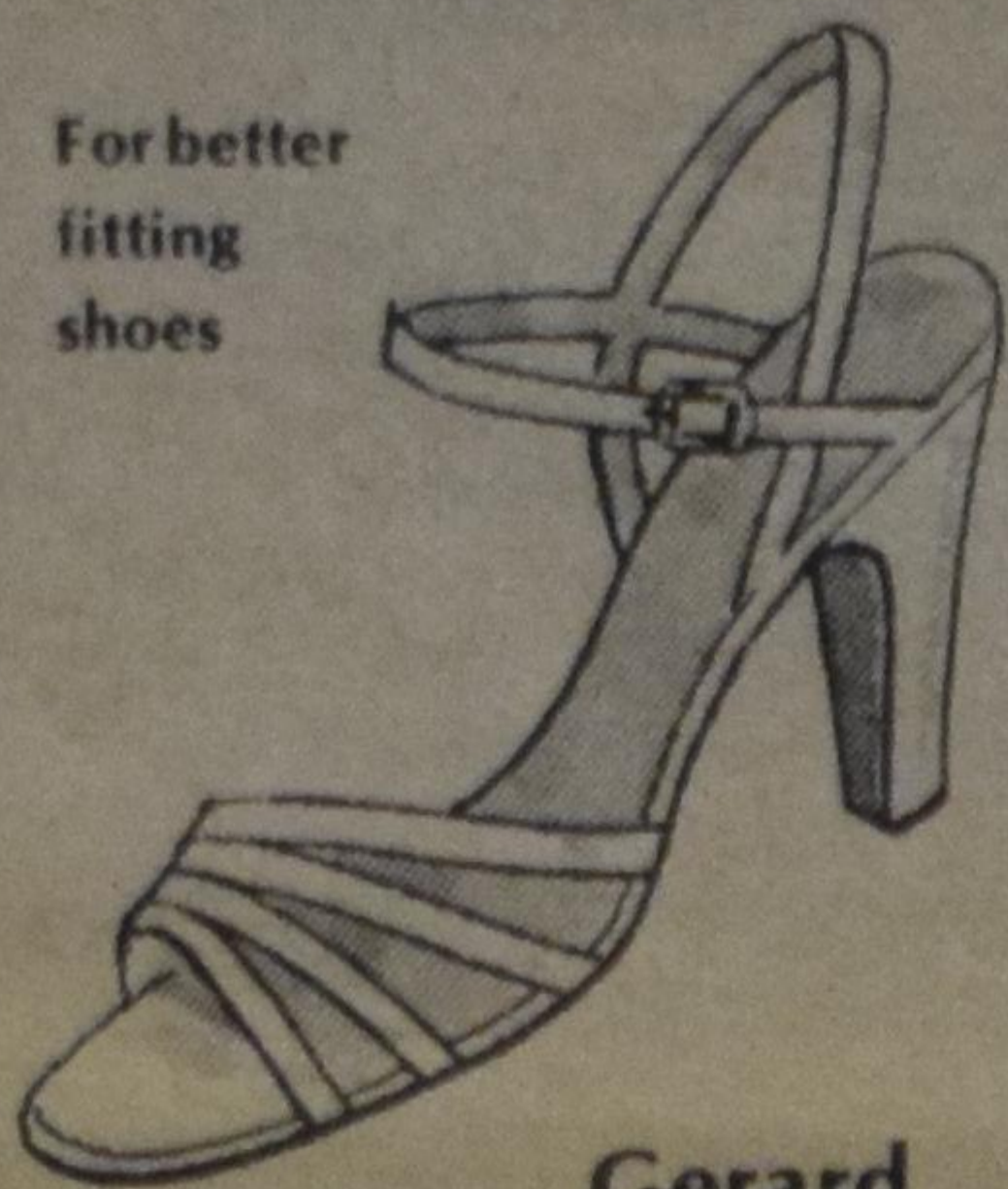
And it will be in Canada, according to the Science Council, that in a relatively few years, euthanasia and planning for death will become somewhat like the subject of abortion today. Surely abortion and euthanasia are two sides of a single coin. There is a very real possibility that many of us in this age of abortion may live to see the opposite side of the coin either as observers or perhaps as victims. But we go blindly along, accepting the destruction of man and supporting it with our taxes, which not only pay for abortion but foster an attitude according to which abortion is acceptable and right, an attitude promoted by such organizations as Planned Parenthood, which has received more than \$10 million in federal grants.

So welcome to the 1980s, citizens of Canada. This is the state of modern day madness our society has come to, in which justice appears to be truly dead, aborted from the judicial and parliamentary process of our land. For clearly the law and its application are totally beyond the realms of Christian acceptability.

Though compatriots of the new morality (immorality) are demanding that Judeo-Christian principles be removed from the law, the Bible, in which it is written, "Thou shalt not kill," is still offered to everyone testifying in court. Considering the times in which we live, I am undecided whether to take comfort from this, or whether simply to take it for what it appears to be — an irony offered by a sick society which, through the words of an illustrious politician, endeavoured to become "The Just Society."

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Chinese Christian Church is "evangelistic, deeply spiritual"

by William George Shuster

HONG KONG (EP) — Decades of religious oppression in mainland China have created a Christian church which is deeply spiritual, composed of a network of local "house churches," and has an evangelistic method which stresses exemplary personal behaviour. However, because western missionaries taught that only ordained ministers can baptize or administer Communion, thousands upon thousands of Chinese Christians have never been baptized nor eaten of the Lord's Supper.

These are some of the findings of the Chinese Church Research Center, at 7 Kent Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong, one of the few evangelical organizations in the world doing systematic research and analysis of the Chinese church, its history and its growth. Data comes from dozens of journals, newspapers, and other publications from or about the People's Republic of China, and from in-depth interviews with Chinese emigrating from the mainland, or who have visited friends or relatives there. The Center was started more than two years ago by the Rev. Johnathon Chao, a graduate of Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, PA, and has a predominantly Chinese staff.

Some of the Center's main findings were presented by Mrs. Naomi Morris, a Center representative, during a recent speaking tour in the United States. Mrs. Morris, a journalist and teacher, is wife of Christopher Morris, assistant to the Center's director and research associate.

After the Communists took over China's government,

Christians — and adherents to other religions — were persecuted. Hospitals were taken, churches closed. Many church leaders were executed or sentenced to many years in prison. Religious literature was confiscated. In reaction, "an elaborate network of 'house churches' began to develop" as handfuls of believers met in homes to worship, said Mrs. Morris. The most difficult period came during the 1960s and the so-called "cultural revolution." Persecution was so intense that even the meetings in homes "had to be conducted in secret or stopped completely," she continued. "Almost every Bible" and hymnal was seized and burned. In parts of China, there were many Christians who had no contact with fellow believers for years.

"In the past two years, under the present regime, efforts have been made to correct the excesses of the 'Gang of Four,' who took over at Mao's death, and regain the support of all citizens, including Christians, for the government's national rehabilitation and modernization programs. As a gesture to adherents of various religions, the government has reopened some churches, temples and mosques. It is typical to see long lines of people 'waiting hours to get a seat before church services (and) to see the few open churches crowded with people," said Mrs. Morris, who has travelled in China with her husband. Those evangelical ministers who preach at these few open churches can preach "fairly freely, as long as they avoid politics."

But it is the house church, not the few open churches, which is the foundation today

of the Chinese Christian church. The house church network isn't a precise, unified organization. It is, instead, a grassroots movement, reflecting the degree of religious freedom, or lack of it, in different areas. There is some religious freedom now, said Mrs. Morris, but because of the size of China and the attitudes of some local officials, it isn't the same everywhere. "It varies from location to location," she explained. "In some areas, they are very small and localized. Some house groups don't even know about other groups in the same city! In other areas, there are elaborate networks which are in touch with each other and get several hundred people at a meeting. It depends on the political pressures. But (the Christians) tend to go to secretive places (for such large meetings), such as remote areas."

Some church leaders at the time of the Communist take-over are still alive, but they are old and few. Positions of leadership now are filled by "lay Christians, with strong personalities, who have suffered for their faith, and who have longer than normal Christian life spans," said Mrs. Morris. China's church also has "preachers with great spiritual power, but they are unknown in the West," partly because such publicity could jeopardize them.

The Chinese Church is an actively evangelistic, praying church which prays fervently for the conversion of non-Christians. But, here too, years of oppression have affected methods of evangelism. "Evangelism is done very carefully, out of necessity, with relatives and close friends, and only when asked (about one's beliefs)," explained Mrs.

Morris. "That means their daily lives must show they have something so different people will ask." There is, therefore, great stress on Christian living and fellowship with other Christians "is very important."

Though exact figures aren't available, the Center's staff believes there are more Christians today in China than the estimated one million when the Communists took control over three decades ago. Many of those believers are young people, and they are responsible for "most of the bolder (Christian) activities going on in China, though they are strongly supported by the elders in the churches." They also have held overnight religious retreats in remote places, and in some places

have had Christian fellowship and training sessions for as long as a week, she added.

The relaxation of religious oppression has also sparked resurgence of other religions, too, like Buddhism, Islam, Taoism, and even spiritism. Increasing reports of spirit worship have upset mainland authorities. Recent newspaper articles have attempted to explain the difference between "religion" such as Christianity, and "superstition," such as spiritism. The increased tolerance by mainland authorities has also encouraged sects outside China. The Mormons, for example, "are very active in Hong Kong, and are interested in going into (mainland) China," said the Center representative.

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Mother Teresa granted India's highest award

NEW DELHI, India (EP) — India has honoured Mother Teresa, the Noble Peace Prize winner, by giving her its highest civilian award, the "Bharat Ratna" or "Star of India." The Yugoslav-born nun, who founded in Calcutta, the Missionaries of Charity, to serve the world's destitute, is an Indian citizen. She is the second Indian

woman to receive the award and the 17th recipient since the honour was created in 1954. The other woman was Premier Indira Gandhi who was presented at the ceremony in the presidential palace here.

After receiving the star from President Sanjiva Reddy, the 69-year-old nun said, "It is a gift of God and I have accepted it,

as I did the Nobel Peace Prize, in the name of the poor and in the name of all the religious who serve God." The Indian government recently exempted Mother Teresa from paying income tax on the \$192,000 Nobel Prize, recognizing that the money would be spent on India's poor.

Marty predicts eighties will be tribalistic era

NEW YORK (EP) — New forms of "Christian tribalism" may be a characteristic of the 1980s, according to church historian Martin E. Marty. The University of Chicago professor told a Southern Baptist seminar on "Ethical Issues for the '80s" that "instead of reacting in horror from the Ayatollah or Soviet models, many of the new Christian militants are duplicating their language"

by adhering to their own "unyielding ideologies." While acknowledging that these "sub-communities" have a right to nurture their own ways of life, Dr. Marty pointed out that they "share some dimensions of community with other kinds of Christians, and with humans in general."

Among his predictions for the 1980s, Dr. Marty anticipated that the churches will become

increasingly concerned with the "ethics of character," and that American society will move from a "merely private morale toward civic, social and public morale."

He stressed that in dealing with ethical issues, there is no such thing as the "best approach," and urged the churches to appreciate diversity in viewpoints and approaches.

Campus minister censored for sermons hostile to Jews

MINNEAPOLIS (EP) — A Minneapolis campus minister accused of delivering a series of anti-Jewish sermons in January has pleaded with his critics to "stop the witch hunt, stop the worry, stop the urge to destroy." The Rev. Ernest O'Neill, Irish-born pastor of the Campus Church, an independent student-oriented congregation located near the University of Minnesota, was reacting to the charges leveled against him by the university's Council of Religious Advisors.

The council examined recordings and transcripts of sermons preached by Mr. O'Neill on Jan. 13, 20 and 27 and said they contained "numerous overtly anti-Jewish statements." His sermon on Jan. 27 was interpreted by many to mean that the Jews were slaughtered by the Nazi Holocaust because they lost favour with God. He called the Jews a "reprobate" people who lost favour with God.

But Mr. O'Neill, who was out of the city when the criticism of

his sermons was first made public, claimed that his critics misinterpreted his message. "They took the transcripts (of the sermon) and distorted some of the phrases and took some of them out of context," he said in a sermon replying to his critics. He charged that members of the Council of Religious Advisors had "followed an unethical procedure in this whole matter" by criticizing his sermon without discussing it with him.



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Afghanistan's Pathans

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descent from the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel. We know that this circumstance does not explain the traditional belief of the Pathans to be of Jewish blood and descent. And yet the Jewish element in Afghanistan may have been more widespread before the Muslim conquest. Most of it may have yielded to Islam while retaining a memory of a pride in its Jewish history. In this connection we refer to certain tribes found in the Southern Sahara, who claim unequivocally Jewish descent and are proud of their Jewishness, while at the same time being strict Muslims.

Their being adherents of Islam has not obliterated the recollections of their Jewish past. The ancestors of these Sahara Jews — long since converted to Mohammedanism — likely fled south into the desert

in the wake of the Jewish revolt against Rome, which occurred in the years 115-117 A.D. in Cyrenaica in North Africa.

Jewish resistance and enmity against the Romans had by no means ceased with the fall and destruction of Jerusalem in the year 70 A.D. Some of the Afghanistan Jews apparently kept to their Jewish faith. Perhaps they lived in more out-of-the-way places, bypassed by the Muslim conqueror and from them may have descended Afghanistan's "real Jews."

In the meantime, the mystery remains. Are the Pathans really of Jewish origin and is there any connection between them and the Ten Lost Tribes?

In view of all this it is not surprising that the Pathans and their struggle engender widespread interest these days.

'Confusion' over duties to God and to Caesar

ARDEN HILLS, MN (EP) — Many evangelical Christians are confusing their loyalties to Caesar and their loyalties to God, Sen. Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon, an evangelical Christian, told the graduating class at Bethel College here. He said this confusion was reflected in the attitudes of some Christians that they must Christianize the government and elect only born-again Christians to public office.

The senator said Christians have been "labouring under the millstone of the Christianizing of Rome." He urged them to remember the Holy Roman Empire when Christians "could not delineate between the banner of Christianity and their

commitment to Christ as a goal of their life, which led us into the experience of the Crusades where we had conversion by the sword, into the great inquisitions where we had the purification of doctrine by the torture chamber, and into elements of puritanism in America."

Sen. Hatfield said Christians need to be discerning of the issues confronting their nation. For example, he suggested they should question the Carter Doctrine which "would commit this nation to send our military forces to try to secure our raw material in the Persian Gulf." He also said they should

question "why, out of 167 years of the Republic's history that we have depended upon a voluntary army, that now in peace time we are called upon to start the first procedure back to the draft?"

Christians, he said, are called to be stewards of God's Creation. He recalled the words of the late President Dwight Eisenhower, a five-star general, that "every gun that is made, every warship that is launched, every rocket fired, signifies, in the final end, a theft from the people who are hungry and are not fed, who are cold and are not clothed." That, the senator observed, is the Christian idea of stewardship.

Reagan defends Vietnam war.

VICTORVILLE, CA (EP) — Ronald Reagan, the Republican nominee for president this year, says he is a "born-again" Christian by virtue of his baptism in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

A questioner at the Western Desert Gospel Sing here asked Mr. Reagan if he considered himself a born-again Christian as President Carter does. "I know what many of those who use that term mean by it," Mr.

Reagan said, "but in my own situation in the church I was raised in, the Christian Church, there you were baptized and you, yourself, decided that you were, as the Bible says ... born again. In the context of the Bible, yes, by being baptized, you were (born again)."

The candidate drew cheers when he defended American involvement in the Vietnam War as "an act of collective moral courage" against

Godless Communist tyranny." He said: "I've been disturbed for a long time about the feeling that so many Americans have of the Vietnam conflict. Our president referred to it as a time of 'moral poverty.' When 50,000 young Americans give their lives to protect the people of a small, defenseless country against godless Communist tyranny, I think it is an act of collective moral courage, not moral poverty."

Presbyterians lose less

DETROIT (EP) — The Rev. Charles A. Hammond, a noted supporter of controversial women's rights legislation in the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., has been elected moderator of the church's 192nd Assembly which opened here May 27.

Last year, Mr. Hammond backed the Overture L rule requiring all of the church's 8,694 congregations to include women among the "ruling elders" that make up congregational governing boards. Some

25 congregations have left or are considering leaving the denomination rather than comply with the rule. He appointed as vice-moderator, Mrs. Louise Lyon, who was the runner-up in three ballots of close voting. Mr. Hammond, 46, has been the executive presbyter of the Wabash Valley Presbytery in central Indiana

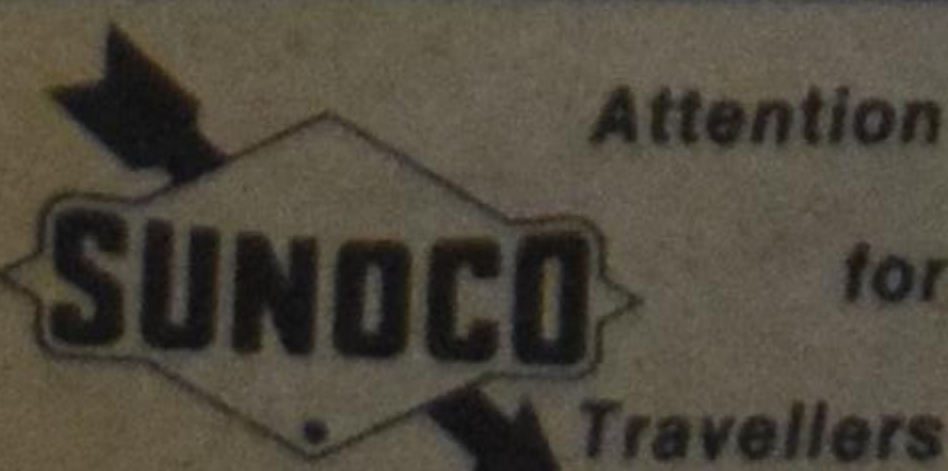
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The church's stated clerk, William P. Thompson reported to the opening of the 192nd assembly that the denomination lost a net total of 43,003 members in 1979, the smallest decrease in a decade. The latest membership figure is 2,477,364.

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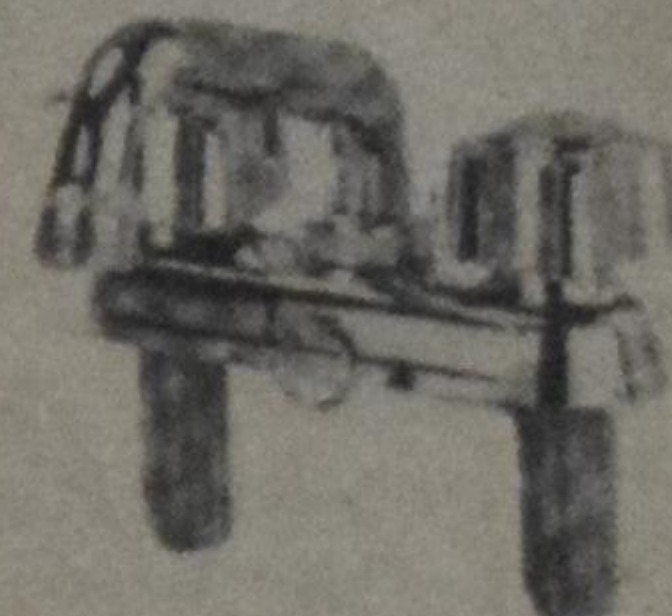
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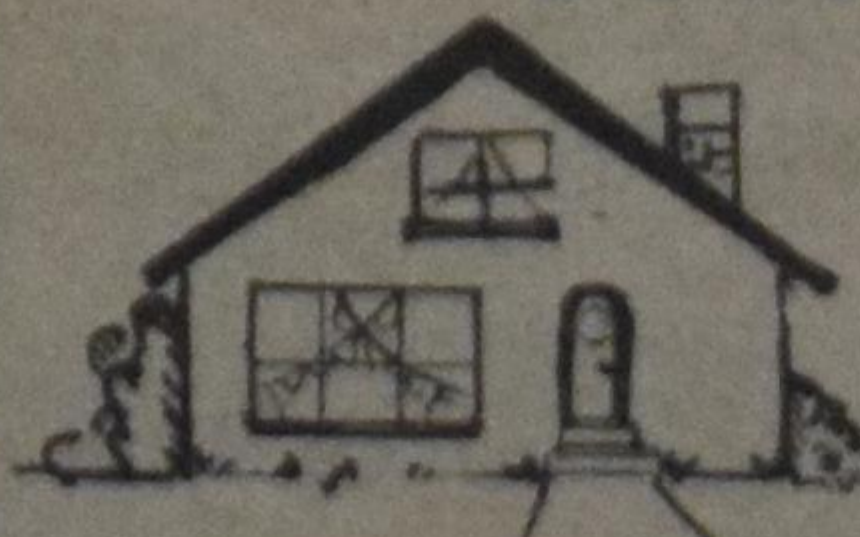
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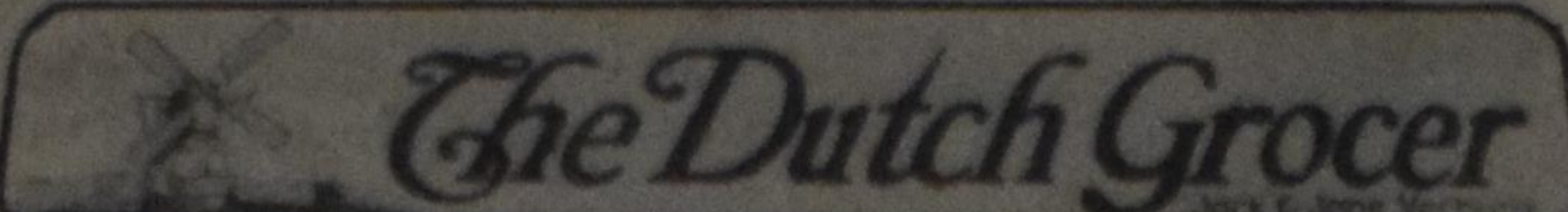


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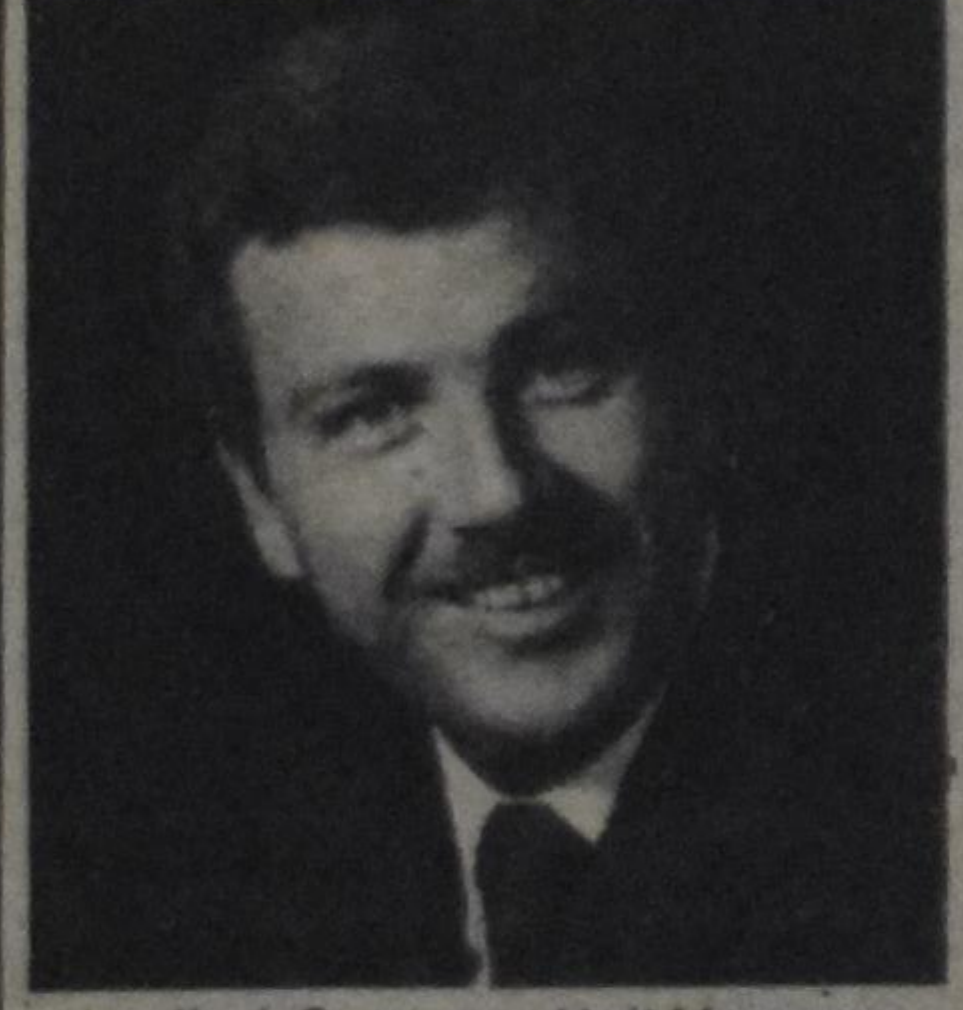
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Soviet connection dominates Baptist Congress

TORONTO (EP) — Despite demonstrations, pickets, protest rallies and news conferences that degenerated into debates over a dispute between Russian Baptists, more than 20,000 Baptists from around the world devoted their major attention to celebrating 75 years of fellowship during the 14th Baptist World Congress. The 19,814 registered delegates to the congress meeting at Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto, elected Gerhard Claas, BWA associate secretary for Europe and former German Baptist executive, as the organization's new general secretary.

Duke K. McCall, president of the Southern Baptists Theological Seminary in Louisville,

KY, who was elected president of the Alliance for a five-year term, said in an interview after his election that he regretted that the Soviet Union question had become the dominant news coming out of the congress. "A far bigger issue is the emerging leadership role of Baptists from Third World countries," said McCall, who praised the "first class biblical scholarship" of speakers from Third World countries on the program.

It was the dispute between Baptists from the Soviet Union that consistently drew the headlines. From beginning to end, pickets outside the Maple Leaf Gardens protested the presence of Russian Baptists and charged that several members of the official Russian Baptist delegation were agents of the Soviet KGB. The pickets were organized by Carl McIntyre, president of the

International Council of Christian Churches, who staged a protest rally.

Although there was no connection between the two groups, Reform Baptist leader Georgi Vins, exiled to the United States after eight years in Russian prisons, staged another conference called "The Voice of the Persecuted Church." Mr. Vins and Alexi Bichkov, general secretary of the official All-Union Council of Evangelical Christians/Baptists in Russia, were principal figures in the dispute.

Mr. Vins said he came to Toronto to "wake up Christians in the West" to the extent of persecution of Christians in the Soviet Union, but Mr. Bichkov charged in a news conference that Mr. Vins came to create division and divisiveness. Mr. Bichkov claimed that charges that KGB agents are members of the official delegation are "insulting" and "stupid." In news conferences following their elections, both Mr. McCall and Mr. Claas refused to take sides in the disputes between the two Russian Baptist factions, calling instead for reconciliation between the Russian Baptists.

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Een uitdaging

En nog wel een actuele uitdaging. En aan wie? „Aan de Christenheid,” is het antwoord van prof. dr. P.J. Roscam Abbing, hoogleraar in de theologie.

Het is alweer enige tijd geleden dat ik die uitdaging las, want zijn boek met die titel verscheen in het jaar 1967. Het is een boek dat zeer zeker de moeite waard was om te lezen. En als je er nu in 1980 weer in kijkt, lijkt het wel als of deze professor een profeet was.

Een gedeelte van dit boek gaat over de nieuwe moraal, en de professor geeft een hele lijst van gedragingen die uit deze nieuwe moraal voortkomen. En hij zegt er bij dat hij een vurige tegenstander van deze nieuwe praktijken is en ze met beslistheid van de hand wijst. U weet dus in elk geval al hoe hij er over denkt. Als u over de lijst gaat, treft u b.v. het volgende: De nieuwe moraal baant de weg voor: echtscheiding bij onderling goedvinden, als er geen kinderen zijn of meer zijn, die er door geschaad zouden worden; voorechtelijk geslachtsverkeer tussen verloofden, ook zonder belofte van trouw — bij wijze van proefhuwelijk, zelfs wel tussen deze en gene als uitdrukking van genegenheid of als wederzijdse behoeftebevrediging, wederzijds goedgevonden buitenechtelijk geslachtsverkeer; bevruchting van de vrouw in een kinderloos huwelijk met het zaad van een andere dan haar eigen man; nudisme voor wie dat leuk of ideaal vindt; het zonder meer praktiseren van volwassen, homoseksueel aangelegde of geworden mannen of vrouwen onderling; zelfmoord, voor wie het besef heeft voor niemand nodig te zijn.

Wat een lijst. En u moet weten dat de schrijver er aan toe voegt dat vele mensen snel aan deze praktijken zullen wennen. En hij wijst er op dat wij als gemeente van de Here Jezus Christus steeds meer in een samenleving terecht komen, waarin de consequenties van de nieuwe moraal publiek worden aanvaard en toegepast. Het is alweer dertien jaar geleden dat dit boek „Actuele uitdagingen aan de Christenheid” verscheen, en als u op de hoogte bent met wat er in de wereld omgaat, dan moet u wel zeggen dat deze theologische professor een goed vermoeden had waar de nieuwe moraal op uitloopt. Hij maakt een tegenstelling tussen de wereld met de nieuwe moraal aan de ene kant, en de gemeente van Christus die in zo'n samenleving geraakt is aan de andere kant. Daarmee geeft hij aan dat er principieel een tegenstelling is tussen de nieuwe moraal praktiserende samenleving en de gemeente van Christus die vraagt: Here, wat wilt u dat wij zullen doen? Een principiele tegenstelling want de schrijver heeft ons meegedeeld dat hij die uitwassen van de nieuwe moraal met beslistheid van de hand wijst.

Toch moeten we oppassen voor een verflauwing van de grens tussen kerk en wereld. Professor Roscam Abbing zegt immers (met vreze en beven, denk ik), „Velen zullen snel aan deze praktijken wennen”. Het zou niet de eerste keer zijn dat de geest van de wereld doordrong in de gelederen van het volk van God, in plaats dat de geest van Gods volk doordrong in de wereld. De Schrift geeft daar vele voorbeelden van, en laat ons ook zien hoe boos God dan werd op Zijn volk dat zijn roeping verwaarloosde. En het boek, „Actuele uitdagingen aan de Christenheid” is juist geschreven om Gods volk er van te overtuigen dat Gods volk een eigen Christelijke, Bijbelse levensstijl zal moeten tonen aan de wereld, die steeds de weg van de minste weerstand en van zijn eigen zin gaat, zonder zich te bekommeren om wat God te zeggen heeft in Zijn Woord.

De christelijke levensstijl zal steeds als uitgangspunt nemen de vraag naar wat God van mij wil, omdat dat alleen voor mij en mijn naaste het goede is, en alles wat daar tegen in gaat, het kwade is. En Prof. Roscam Abbing geeft dan als zijn oordeel, te kennen en welk een juist oordeel: Wie dat uitgangspunt loslaat, stelt zich objectief gezien buiten de gemeente van Christus.

Wat zegt de Schrift? zal dan ook altijd onze eerste vraag moeten zijn als we willen weten wat God van ons vraagt. Nu weten we allen wel dat de Bijbel niet altijd pasklare antwoorden geeft op allerlei mogelijke problemen. Daarom vragen we niet alleen: wat zegt de Schrift? Maar we bidden ook: Leidt ons door uw Heilige Geest, opdat we mogen onderscheiden wat uw wil is. Ons leven moet worden geleid door Gods normen die door de gehele Bijbel heen te vinden zijn, en die bij het licht van de Heilige Geest ons helpen onderscheiden wat goed is. Het is een uitdaging aan de christenheid om in een onchristelijke samenleving niet mee te doen met een nieuwe moraal, die zo vaak oude immoraliteit is, maar te tonen dat een leven met Christus rechtstreeks staat tegenover een leven waarin de mens zijn eigen wetgever is.

J. VanHarmelen

Een pauselijke brief over de maaltijd van de Heer

door H.J. Kouwenhoven

Gereformeerd Weekblad — De jongste geschiedenis heeft het meermalen laten zien: aan het begin van zijn pontificaat heeft praktisch elke paus er moeite mee zijn reislust te bedwingen. Paus Johannes Paulus II vormt op die regel geen uitzondering. Heel de wereld is zijn gebied en hij wil dat weten.

Tussen de verschillende reizen die hij maakte naar de verste werelddelen zit hij thuis in Rome echter allesbehalve stil. Dan beweegt deze beweeglijke vijftiger zijn pen over het papier met een ijver en gedrevenheid, waarop menig schrijver van professie jaloers zal zijn.

Het archief van de kerken beleeft hoogtijdagen dankzij de indrukwekkende productiviteit van de opperherder. Toespraken tot religieuze groepen, oproepen aan bisschoppen-conferenties, verhandelingen voor maatschappelijke organisaties — het is er allemaal in te vinden.

De paus mengt zich graag in menig debat. Hij vertolkt de stem van de kerk, waar hij maar kan. Vooral blijkt hij telkens zich zijn verantwoordelijkheid bewust, als het gaat om de gelovigen-waar-ook-ter-wereld te

leiden op de goede weg. Te behoeden tegen dwaling.

Veel van wat deze paus schrijft lijkt gekenmerkt door een hartstochtelijk verlangen de kerk intenser de doen leven bij het geheim van de godsdienst. En dat vanzelfsprekend zoals hij daar tegenaan kijkt. Hij met zijn zichtbaar Poolse achtergrond? Hij met zijn duidelijke afkeer van alle secularisatie? Hij met zijn kennelijke behoefte aan sacrale toestanden?

Voor het besef van verschillende woordvoerders is het bewijs al meer dan eens geleverd, dat paus Johannes Paulus II aartsconservatief is. Moge hij de letter van Vaticanum II nauwgezet volgen, of hij de geest van het concilie-gebeuren wenst aan te wakkeren, dat is vers twee. Zijn critici hebben het vermoeden, dat hij liefst zoveel mogelijk de klok hoopt te kunnen terugdraaien. In plaats van bepaalde ontwikkelingen te stimuleren roept hij ze veeleer een halt toe. De dogmatiek van de oude handboeken wenst hij in ere te herstellen en de kerkorden van de degelijke wetboeken te handhaven.

Mogelijk bedoelt deze paus vooral het geestelijk leven van de nodige impulsen te voorzien om te voorkomen, dat de kerk

(almeer) verwereldlijkt en de godsdienst verlept. Of hij daarbij tot eenzijdigheid vervalt, caricaturen tekent, ongewild meewerkt aan een versmallen van het evangelie, dat is een vraag, waarover menigeen zich grote zorgen lijkt te maken. Per slot van rekening kunnen goede bedoelingen averechts werken en funeste gevolgen hebben.

Het was aan het begin van de veertigdagentijd van dit jaar, dat de paus zich richtte tot de bisschoppen in de wereld en middels hen tot alle priesters, met een vrij uitvoerige uiteenzetting over de maaltijd van de Heer. Al draagt zijn brief dit opschrift, de paus lijkt bij voorkeur over eucharistie te spreken. Uit niets valt op te maken, dat hij moeite heeft met enige dogmatische afglijding en dus vooral apologetisch zou willen spreken. Wel wenst hij vanuit het zicht op de diepte van dit sacramenteel geheim zowel ten behoeve van de priesters als van de gelovigen te onderstrepen, met welke eerbied de eucharistie gevierd moet worden.

Zo neemt een leerstellige ontvouwing van dit allerheiligst sacrament een groot deel van de brief in beslag. Daarin staat de ge-

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PERSOVERZICHT

- De N.D.P. vocht een manmoedig achterhoede gevecht tegen het gas-leidingbouw besluit. Broadbent vond dat er niet genoeg zekerheid was dat de Yankees het noordelijke deel van de leiding zouden gaan bouwen, en dat de enige stelligheid was dat de Amerikanen Canadees gas zouden krijgen. Hij dreigde de vakantie van het parlement tegen te zullen houden, maar de voorzitter stak daar een stokje voor.

- Alberta en Ottawa onderhandelen om tot een eensgezind olieprijs beleid te komen. Premier Blakeney van Saskatchewan loopt in deze niet aan het lijntje van zijn partij, de N.D.P. Hij is voor aanzienlijke prijsverhoging, niet-tegenstaande Broadbent's verzet tegen opslag.

- Er is onrust onder Rooms-Katholieke priesters. Het Vatikan heeft uit laten lekken dat er plannen zijn om priesters uit Europa en Noord-Amerika naar de kerken in ontwikkelende landen te zenden. Het gaat daar zoals u weet niet op de manier van onze beroepingsmethode waarin kerkeraden dominees benaderen met de vraag: „Zoudt u misschien geneigd willen zijn om eventueel een beroep in overweging te willen nemen?” In de Roomse kerk zegt de bisschop je gaat, en dan ga je maar. Ik zou er wel voor zijn, op voorwaarde natuurlijk dat ik bisschop zou worden.

- In Israël schijnt Begin alweer een beetje op te knappen van zijn hartaanval. De regering daar heeft weer haar op de tanden laten zien door twee ministeries van Tel Aviv naar Jeruzalem over te plaatsen. Een demonstratief gebaar dat wil benadrukken dat Israël Jeruzalem als haar hoofdstad beschouwd. De verhouding tussen Sadat en Begin begint aanmerkelijk te verkoelen.

- Bij onze Zuidenburen begon de registratie

voor de dienstplicht. Ondanks de vele protesten registreerden 98% van de eventueel dienstplichtigen.

- In een plaats vlak bij Washington werd een voormalige diplomaat uit Iran op klaarlichte dag vermoord. Terechtstellingen in Teheran nemen ook weer toe.

- In Hollywood zijn de filmsterren in staking gegaan. Dat is me ook even een ramp he?

- Yasser Arafat, de leider van de Palestijnse Bevrijdingsorganisatie die nog met het bloed op zijn handen van de Munchen-moorden rondloopt, werd op de Olympische Spelen in Moskou met veel eerbetoen ontvangen en begroet.

- In Europa heeft men de koudste zomer sinds mensenheugenis. Op de Duitse T.V. werd een zondsondergang getoond om de kijkers te laten herinneren hoe de zon er uit ziet. De Franse wijnogst is in gevaar, en 1980 zal geen edel vocht van uitzonderlijke kwaliteit opleveren. Men wijt de hardnekkig voortdurende kou en regen aan de uitpattingen van Mount St. Helens.

- En in Toronto bereikte in de afgelopen week Carl Dirk Jr. de prille leeftijd van een jaar. Hij is te gast bij Opa en Oma omdat zijn ouders op vakantie zijn. Dat de jongeman gezond van lijf en leden is bleek wel uit de nogal doordringende lucht waarmee hij vanmorgen zijn grootvader begroette. Grootvader, die ouderwets en conservatief nog in rolverdeling van huishoudelijke plichten gelooft tengevolge waarvan het verwisselen van luiers de verantwoordelijkheid van de vrouw is, mag hier vermelden dat grootmoeder ondanks tenminste twaalf jaar afwezigheid van zulke kledingstukken in ons huis, nog niets van haar vaardigheid in deze heeft verloren.

Carl D. Tuyt

dachte centraal, dat in de eucharistie de sacramentele ontmoeting met Christus plaats heeft. Dan verwerkelijk de kerk zich, gevoed als de gelovigen worden met de vruchten van Christus' heilig offer van verzoening, gewekt ook tot liefde en dank, tot offerbereidheid jegens de naaste.

Een heel hoofdstuk wijdt de paus aan „het sacrale karakter van de eucharistie en het offer”. Het is Christus zelf, die in haar aanwezig is en handelt. Hij, de Hogepriester van het nieuwe verbond, gaf zijn leven geheel vrijwillig. Hij is zowel de offerende als degene die als offergave wordt aangeboden. Hij consacreert en wordt geconsacreerd. Niettemin, in de viering van de eucharistie vervult voor het oog de priester een rol, een beslissende en onvervangbare rol. Hij treedt op in de persoon van Christus. De paus schrijft het zo: „Het allerheiligst offer wordt door de priester ‚in persona Christi’ opgedragen, wat meer betekent dan alleen maar ‚in naam van Christus’ of ‚in plaats van Christus’.”

Er is sprake van sacramentele vereenzelviging van de priester met de Hogepriester, „die zelf de eigenlijke bewerker en de handelende hoofdpersoon is bij dit, zijn offer”. Een offer, dat verzoevende kracht bezit, die middels de persoon van de priester toestroomt naar hen, die communiceren.

De priestercelebrant „wordt, wanneer hij het allerheiligst offer opdraagt en handelt ‚in persona Christi’, op sacramentele (en tegelijk onuitspreklijke) wijze binnengeleid en ingevoegd in het hart zelf van dit ‚sacrum’, waarin hij op zijn beurt, geestelijk, al degenen betreft die aan de eucharistische samenkomst deelnemen”.

Zeker tussen de regels door valt te lezen, dat de paus een lans breekt voor de transsubstantiatie-opvatting. De elementen worden waarachtig, werkelijk en wezenlijk tot het lichaam en bloed, dat Christus

gegeven heeft. Zo stellen brood en wijn krachtens de consecratie het offer van de Heer tegenwoordig.

Misschien is het van belang er bij stil te staan, dat de paus deze formulering gebruikt. Enige tientallen jaren geleden is immers de veronderstelling geuit, dat met de invoering van de omschrijving „tegenwoordigstelling van het offer van Christus” haast zoiets als een brug geslagen was tussen de Roomse en de reformatorische avondmaalsopvatting. Het begrip bedoelde de vanouds bekende, maar allengs al dubieuzer aanduiding „herhaling”, „onbloedige herhaling van Christus' offer” te doen verdwijnen. En het moet gezegd, in deze brief haalt de paus dit woord niet weer boven tafel. Wel laat hij het niet bij „tegenwoordigstelling”. Het offer, door Christus aan het kruis gebracht, wordt „op sacramentele wijze op het altaar vernieuwd”.

De vraag mag dan worden gesteld, of de kritiek vanuit de reformatie niet opnieuw of nog steeds geldingskracht moet bezitten. Die kwam in feite neer op het verwijt, dat Rome het kruisoffer van Christus van zijn unieke waarde en van zijn allesbeslissende betekenis had beroofd en ontdaan. Ze opverdelede het vermoeden, dat dit offer alleen via de bemiddeling van de priester in de kerk voor wie geloven het nodige effect kon sorteren. En zeker dat laatste element komt in de uiteenzettingen van de paus naar voren, met een zo nu en dan haast grimmige ernst aan het adres van de priesters, voor wie het allemaal niet zo officieel meer hoeft: vast omschreven kledij, buigingen en knielpartijen. Hij kan dat niet goed hebben, blijkt uit dit alles.

Hij vraagt zich dan ook af, of iedereen wel goed beseft, hoe priesters de spijs en drank hebben te behandelen, „die in onze handen het lichaam en bloed zijn van God onze Heer” en dat de hoogste eer van een

priester gelegen is „in de uitoefening van die geheimvolle macht over het lichaam van de Verlosser”. De gewijde priester is als enige gerechtigd dit actieve aandeel te leveren in de viering van de eucharistie. Kan hij dan anders dan met grote eerbied deze handeling verrichten?

De paus is daarnaast van oordeel, dat een priester zoveel „geloofsdiscipline” moet bezitten, dat hij zich kan onderschikken aan wat regel is in de kerk, juist ook als het gaat om de viering van de eucharistie. Geen priester kan zelf liturgische teksten bedenken, alsof hij kon beschikken over deze heilige rite. Schade-

lijk individualisme doet de gelovigen te kort. In de eucharistie-viering bidt niet een priester met een aantal deelnemers aan de samenkomst, maar de hele kerk.

Zo te horen wordt het sommige priesters niet gemakkelijk gemaakt om binnen de gemeenschap van de officiële kerk de in hun ogen enige goede invulling te geven van hun ambtsopvatting. Het lijkt geen twijfel, of de paus typeert de vreugde van de eucharistie anders dan zij, die zich oriënteren aan veel moderner uiteenzettingen van dit sacrament.

Het valt niet te voorspellen,

wat de uitwerking zal zijn van deze officiële brief van de paus. Dat zal wel vooral afhangen van de vraag, of sommige bisschoppen haar menen te moeten hanteren als een dwangbevel vanuit Rome om orde op zaken te stellen.

Moet dit verhaal gelegd worden naast bijv. het document over intercommunie en ambt, dat nu mogelijk nog minder kansen krijgt binnen de r.k. kerk?

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AFMAN: We would like to take this opportunity to thank our children, grandchildren and friends for making our 40th Wedding Anniversary such a happy occasion. Also a thank you to our relatives who came as far as from Holland, Barrie and Toronto. A special thank you to our children for the dinner they gave in our honour. The cards, flowers and best wishes made this an unforgettable day. We thank the Lord for sparing us, and for the 40 years he has given us together. We hope and pray for his continued blessing.

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St. Thomas, ON.

BIRTHS

BOS: Cor and Margie are thankful to God for the safe arrival of their son, CORNELIUS ANTHONY, born July 17, 1980. A little brother for Angela and Jennifer. 9th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Pieter Bos, Goderich and 12th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Arend Jagt, Wallaceburg, ON. R.R.#2, Goderich, ON N7A 3X8.

BOSS: On June 25, 1980, the Lord greatly blessed us with the birth of our third child, a daughter named, JENNIFER JOY-LYNNE. A welcome and much loved sister for Michael-Paul and Christopher. Proud and overjoyed are her parents, Ebele and Margaret Boss of Burlington. 5th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. P. Hoiting of Oakville, 12th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Boss of Holland, 19th great-grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. S. Hoiting Sr. of Woodstock and 6th great-grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. R. Rusthoven of Holland.

Address: 1247 Hidden Valley Rd.,
Burlington, ON L7R 3X5.

DYKSTRA: Praise the Lord! With joy and thanksgiving, we announce the birth of a daughter, LORRAINE MARGARET, born July 18, 1980, weighing 7lbs. 5 oz. Proud parents are Alfred and Margaret. Sister for Jayne and Lynda. 35th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Uilke Dykstra, Ontario St., Clinton, and 37th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Slograaf, #2, Clinton. R.R.#4, Clinton, ON.

EGGINK: With thanks to God, the creator of life, we are happy to announce the birth of another precious son and brother, WESLEY DEAN on July 14, 1980, weighing 8lbs. Harry and Diane Eggink, Garrett, Lorraine, Matthew. Box 45, Mt. Hope, ON L0R 1W0.

FICTORIE: With thankfulness to the Lord, our creator, we, John and Gertie Fictorie, joyfully announce the birth of our daughter, HANNA SELENE, a sister for Peter, and second grandchild to Mr. and Mrs. Piet Fictorie of Abbotsford, BC.

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with the
C.C. family!

BIRTHS

HORNEMAN: John and Rita are thankful to the Lord for entrusting to their care, a daughter, KRISTINA ELAINE, born July 7, 1980. A sister for Timmy, Lisa, Danny and Karen. 10th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Peter Folkema and 11th grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Martin Horneman. R.R.#7, Chatham, ON N7M 5J7.

PILON: "The Lord is faithful to all his promises and loving towards all he has made" (Psalm 145:13). We are overjoyed to announce the birth of our first child, a daughter, GWEN SUZANNE, on Wednesday, July 2, 1980. God's gift of a new life is indeed a miracle! Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sebe Pastoor of Winnipeg, MB and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Pilon of Lynden, WA. Stan and Wilma Pilon, #46 - 5181 - 204th Street, Langley, BC V3A 5X1.

VANDERLAAN: "Lo children are a heritage from the Lord" (Psalm 127:3). With joy and thanksgiving to God, the giver of life, we, Tony and Clara, were blessed with a precious third child, SARAH ELIZABETH, born on July 15, 1980. A little sister for Alan and Rebecca. Also to give thanks to the Lord are her grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. C. De Groot of Port Lambton and Mrs. P. Vanderlaan of Blenheim. Address: 343 Erie St. S., Leamington, ON N8H 3E1.

MARRIAGES

BEIMERS-HARBERS: Believing that God has brought our children together, Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Beimers of Renfrew and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harbers of Ottawa are very happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, SHIRLEY JEANNETTE to HARRY JOHN. The Lord willing, the ceremony will take place on Saturday, August 9, 1980, at 3:30 p.m. in the Hebron Chr. Ref. Church of Renfrew, ON. Rev. Bernie De Jong of Ottawa officiating. Future address: 1170 Fisher Ave., Apt. #611, Ottawa, ON.

BOS-NYMAN: Mr. and Mrs. Pieter Bos of Goderich, ON, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, ALICE to HENRY, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nyman of Wellington, ON. The wedding ceremony will take place, D.V., on Friday, August 15, 1980 at 4:00 p.m., in the Chr. Ref. Church, Clinton, ON. Rev. A. Vanden Berg officiating. Future address: R.R.#1, Wellington, ON K0K 3L0.

BUYS-KRALT: Believing that God has joined them together, Mr. and Mrs. William Buys are pleased to announce the marriage uniting their daughter, KATHLEEN JOYCE to PETER, son of Mr. Geerloff Kralt and the late Mrs. Margaret Kralt (nee Van Egmond). This act of love will take place, D.V., on Saturday, August 16, 1980 at 4:00 p.m., in the Mountainview Chr. Ref. Church, Grimsby, ON. Rev. Peter Van Egmond officiating. Future address: 154 Ontario St., Beamsville, ON L0R 1B0.

GREVERS-VAANDERING: Mr. and Mrs. G. Grevers of Hickson are happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, DOROTHY to GERRY, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Vaandering of Brantford. In the spirit of Christian joy, the wedding ceremony will take place, the Lord willing, August 16, 1980 at 11:30 a.m. in the Covenant Chr. Ref. Church of Woodstock, ON. Rev. Dick Los officiating. Future address: 442½ 3rd St. S.E., Sioux Center, IA 51250.

MARRIAGES

GORIS-KRYGSMAN: Mr. and Mrs. George Goris of Mt. Brydges and Mr. and Mrs. Len Krygsman of Aylmer, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their two children, NANCY and HUBERT. The marriage will take place, D.V., on Friday, August 8, 1980, at 7:00 p.m. in the Mt. Brydges Chr. Ref. Church, ON. Rev. G. Bomhof officiating. Address: 339 Adelaide St. N., Mt. Brydges, ON, Canada N0L 1W0.

HESKES-MORAAL: Mr. and Mrs. Cornelis Heskens of Guelph are happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, HILDE to GERALD, son of Mr. L. Moraal of Plainsville and Mrs. A. van Setten of Oakville. The wedding ceremony will take place, D.V., on Saturday, August 9, 1980, in the Chr. Ref. Church of Guelph. Rev. J. Hellinga officiating. Future address: 245 Westwood Rd., Apt. #105, Guelph, ON.

GEUSEBROEK-HOLSAPPEL: Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Geusebroek of Burlington, ON, and Mrs. William Holsappel of Chatham, ON, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, JOANNE and JOHN. The ceremony will take place, D.V., on Saturday, August 16, 1980 at 2:30 p.m. in the Rehoboth Can. Ref. Church of Burlington, ON. Prof. L. Selles officiating. Future address: 574 McNaughton Ave. West., Chatham, ON N7L 4J6.

KISTEMAKER-SCHALK: Dr. and Mrs. Simon Kistemaker and Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Schalk are pleased to announce the marriage of their children, TRUDY and PETER. The ceremony will take place, D.V., on Saturday, August 16, 1980, at 2 p.m., at the Knox Presbyterian Church in Cranbrook, BC. Rev. J. Barry Forsyth and Dr. Simon Kistemaker will officiate. Future address: 322 - 9th St. S., Cranbrook, BC V1C 1R1.

KNOOPS-PAYNE: Mr. and Mrs. Klaas Knoop are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter, IRENE MARGARET to SYLVAN JAY PAYNE, of Seattle, WA. The wedding ceremony will take place, the Lord willing, on August 23, 1980, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., in the Maranatha Chr. Ref. Church in Woodbridge, ON. Pastor Peter Nicolai will officiate. 1250 Mississauga Valley Blvd., Unit #100, Mississauga, ON L5A 3R6.

OOSTEROM-LYZENGA: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oosterom of Smithville, ON are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, JENNIE to DICK, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lyzenga of Rosemary, AB. Wedding to take place, the Lord willing, on Saturday, August 16, 1980, at 4:30 p.m., at the First Chr. Ref. Church, Calgary, AB. Rev. H. Wildeboer officiating. Future address: 3020 15 Ave. S.W., Calgary, AB.

POST-VAN BELLE: CLARISSA BAKE POST and CHRISTOPHER JETH VAN BELLE are happy to announce their marriage. The ceremony took place on Saturday, July 26, 1980 in the Ebenezer Chr. Ref. Church, Berwyn, IL, U.S.A. Their parents are: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Post and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Van Belle. Future address: 184 Stevenson Rd. S., Apt. #3, Oshawa, ON.

SWINKELS-RYZEBOL: Mr. and Mrs. Cornelis Swinkels of Orillia, ON are happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, MARIA TERESA to BEN PETER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney P. Ryzebol of R.R.#1, Laurel, ON. The wedding ceremony took place on Saturday, July 26, 1980 at the Chr. Ref. Church of Orillia, ON. Rev. P. Slofstra officiating. Future address: R.R.#1, Laurel, ON L0N 1L0.

MARRIAGES

VANNIEJENHUIS-DEELSTRA: Thankful to the Lord who has brought them together, we, Mr. and Mrs. J. van Nijenhuis of Orono, ON, and Mr. and Mrs. O. Deelstra, Wyoming, ON, like to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, LOUISE and JOHN. Wedding to take place, D.V., August 16, 1980, 11 o'clock in the Chr. Ref. Church, Wyoming, ON. Rev. Wm. Renkema officiating. Future address: Box 1017, Wyoming, ON.

ANNIVERSARIES

1955 August 12 1980
With thankfulness to God, we are happy to announce the 25th Wedding Anniversary of our parents.

JAN and FREDERIKA BOOY
(nee Noach)

We pray that God will continue to bless and keep them in his care. With love from their children,
Marian
Pauline
Helen
Linda
Sharon
Janet
Wendy
Open house on August 12, 1980 from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m., at the Mountainview Chr. Ref. Church, Grimsby, ON. Best wishes only. Home address: R.R.#2, Beamsville, ON.

Hamilton, ON Burnaby, BC
1955 1980

"And the Lord will guide you continually" (Isaiah 58:11a). It is with joy in our hearts and thankful gratitude to the Lord, that on August 6, 1980, we hope to celebrate the 25th Wedding Anniversary of our parents.

REV. PETER and MAAIKE BROUWER
(nee Venema)

We thank God for the faithfulness that he has shown in those years. It is our prayer that the Lord will continue to guide and bless them in the years ahead. Congratulations from their loving children:
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Peter & Joanne (girlfriend) — Jarvis, ON
Tricia — at home
Fred — at home
Michael — at home
Annette — at home
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1920 1980
Eestrum Newtonville

With joy and thankfulness to our Lord, we are happy to announce the 60th Wedding Anniversary of our parents, grandparents and great-grandparents.

TYE and JAPKE DE JONG
(nee de Vries)

on August 7, 1980. We pray that God will keep them in his loving care in the years to come. Best wishes from their children,
Griet & Foeke Rypstra — Newtonville
Their grand and great-grandchildren:
Ray & Julie Rypstra — Orono
Melanie & Jillian — Orono
Terry Rypstra & Elaine Hammers (fiancee) — Newtonville
Edward Rypstra & Diane Colvin — Newtonville
Mark Rypstra — Newtonville
Open house will be held on Thursday, August 7, 1980 at the Maranatha Chr. Ref. Church, King St. E., Bowmanville, ON from 7-9 p.m. Best wishes only. Home address: R.R.#1, Newtonville, ON L0A 1J0.

ANNIVERSARIES

Sarnia Jordan Station
1955 August 13 1980
With joy and thankfulness to our Lord, we are happy to announce the 25th Wedding Anniversary of our parents.

HERMAN and STINY DE JONG
(nee Vanderlaan)

We pray that the Lord will bless them and continue to keep them in his care.
Henry & Wendy
Wayne & Marcia
Edwin & Cindy
Gerine
David
Paul, Christy
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Clinton Walton
1955 July 29 1980
With praise and thankfulness we celebrated with our parents.

LEO and TRUDY DYK
(nee Valkenburg)

their 25th Wedding Anniversary. We pray that the Lord will bless them and keep them in his loving care for many years to come. Congratulations and love from their children and grandchildren:
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Peter — at home
Dorothy — at home
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Wellandport, Charlottetown,
Ontario P.E.I.
1955 1980
With joy and thankfulness to our Lord, we announce the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Mom and Dad.

CHRIS and TRIX LINZEL
(nee De Jong)

on August 14, 1980. We pray that the Lord will bless and continue to keep them in his care.
Love from the kids:
Henry
Randy
Dennis
Cynthia
Mark
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Psalm 84:12
"O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man who trusts in thee!"
Grateful to our Lord for all his goodness, we the children and grandchildren of,

PETER and JENNY SYTSMA
(nee Spijksma)

wish to announce their 40th Anniversary on September 4, 1980, D.V. Congratulations and may God richly bless you in service to him!
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Barbara & Harry Halma; Jack, Janelle, Norma, Andrea, Duane — Calgary, AB
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Wynne & Uilke Bouwman; Laura, Sheryl, Dale, Marty — Grande Prairie, AB
Wilma & Andy Van Biert — Edmonton, AB
Rita & Harry Brouwer; Christine, Leslie — Rocky Mountain House, AB
Jim & Deb Sytsma — St. Catharines, ON
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Aduard St. Catharines
1940 August 8 1980
HANK and HILLIE WESTERHOFF
(nee Vanderveen)

Our parents look forward to August 8, 1980 when they, together with their family hope to celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary. Their lives have been enriched by many of God's blessings and we, their children, pray that he will continue to do so.
Congratulations Mom and Dad!
With love from:
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Oudehorne Ottawa
1955 1980
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MR. G. RINGNALDA

and his family, the 25th Anniversary of his service in the ministry. A special worship service is planned for Sunday, August 24 at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served in the church basement after the service. All wishing to join us in this service are cordially invited.

OBITUARIES

We mourn the loss of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother-in-law,

JOHN ADOLF HEERSINK

who passed away July 19, 1980 in his 72nd year.

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Dear father of:

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Adolf & Janet (engaged) — Cambridge

Henry — Cambridge

Henrietta — Cambridge

and brother-in-law of:

Henry Hiddink — Cambridge

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Rom. 6:23).

Funeral services were held on July 21, 1980 in the Free Ref. Church of North America of Dundas. Rev. C. Pronk officiating. Interment in Mount Zion Cemetery, Copetown, ON.

Home address: 100 Elmwood Ave., Cambridge(G), ON N1R 4Y6.

Suddenly on Tuesday, July 15, 1980, in Sudbury, ON, God called home to be with him forever, our dearly loved husband, father and grandfather,

LOUIS WOUDA

at the age of 70. May the words of Psalm 23 be our comfort and strength.

Beloved husband of:

Elisabeth Wouda

Dear father and opa of:

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OBITUARIES

Suddenly on July 6, 1980, the Lord in his infinite wisdom called to his eternal home our brother-in-law and uncle,

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en 20 kleinkinderen en 1 achterkleinkind.

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This Sunday afternoon offers a most welcome time to relax. It has been a busy week, as usual. We're well into rainy season, so have been spending as much time as possible working outside. It is fantastic to see how fast things grow — including weeds.

John continues to spend most of his time and energy at the hospital. It is different from the sterile, spacious place you associate with the term. Each ward is a separate building of plastered concrete joined to the others by covered sidewalks. The wards have one or two big rooms with a row of beds about a yard apart down each side and with a central nurses' station. There is no central kitchen; patients' families bring their food and provide basic care. Since there are usually more patients than beds, the extra people sleep on mats at the foot of the beds. The helpers sleep under the bed or share the bed.

During the day, many patients move outside to sit under the trees. The operating theatre, lab, outpatients clinic, x-ray, etc., are also connected by an open corridor. In the absence of a Red Cross volunteer blood bank, a store is maintained by requiring a unit of blood as part of the price for surgery. A P.A. system broadcasts church services, morning devotions, singing and health teaching throughout the hospital. The hospital pastor and evangelists spend their

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For the past month, I've done most of the airport runs. The airstrip is six "unimproved" km. away. Picking up mail and passengers, waiting for the mission plane. Transferring cargo and delivering the people and things, usually takes at least one hour. Planes come as needed, from zero to four times a day, and at various times. Thus a daily routine is impossible. Since there are often delays, I've started to crochet granny squares for a

bedspread while we wait. I try to combine other errands and my commitments at BLS and the office into the same trip. Time dissolves.

John dislikes shopping anyway and has no patience for bargaining, so I'm the family treasurer. Gboko has many things if you're willing to look for them and pay plenty. I have regular merchants who give me a fair price for "being customer." If Nelvia comes, I usually come home with "dash" things like candy, oranges and small toys. As soon as I speak Tiv everybody knows I'm from Mkar Mission rather than one of the construction companies or a tourist. That brings prices down a bit too.

When John is free, he has a long list of projects and repairs to fill the time. John just finished a big one: making a desk with filing drawers. That leaves me with all the routine chores like sweeping, cleaning, putting things away, baking, cooking, washing dishes, doing laundry, ironing, mending, watering plants (on the veranda), weeding, transplanting, mowing, writing, filing, organizing. I'm never finished, but I am learning to take time out for tea with a friend, for a chat over the fence, or for a special project or to help someone else, without feeling guilty.

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EVENTS

Baptist says he's worried

BRANDON, FL (EP) — The Southern Baptist Convention is threatened by "creeping liberalism" in its organizations and institutions, says a leader of the denomination. Dr. Don Touchton, pastor of the 500-member Central Baptist Church here and a second vice-president on the convention, made this point in an eight-page pamphlet mailed at his own expense to some 9,000 pastors and church leaders.

Defining liberalism as "the denial of the inerrancy of Scripture," Dr. Touchton declared, "This must be stopped. Liberalism of this type does more than produce doctrinal deviation; it leads to moral decay and evangelical decline." He asserted that "some of our Baptist colleges and seminaries allow drugs, sex, drinking and dancing to be a daily fare of sin's smorgasbord on campus. Other things could be named which are equally as decadent, both in churches and denominational institutions."

The Southern Baptist official warned that "other denominations which have taken this road of liberalism have declined in total numbers in recent history and are dying as an evangelical force. Southern Baptists will not be exempt from this natural consequence if we follow the same road."

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A.J. Klein (I)		3	2	3	2	10	34	44
H. Brouwer (I)		3	2	3	2	10	31	41
J. Wilms (IV)		3	2	3	2	10	29	39
K. Amsinga (V)		3	2	3	2	10	19	29

*WINNER!
Comments

Heartly congratulations to Mr. F. Vander Woude who reached the top for the second time. The publisher will send you a prize list soon. I hope you will have many more successful climbs to the top.

Since the diagrams of the second series were reversed, I awarded the average score to those few who were still confused by the time the deadline rolled around. Please accept my apologies for this mix-up.

The May Solutions

#828 (Kalina) Key: 1. Q-Q1 tempo Variations: 1. -, P-N4; 2. Q-B3, thr. 3. Q-Q3 mate. 2. -, P-B5; 3. Q-K3 mate. 2. -, K-B5 or P-K5; 3. Q-B3 mate. 1. -, P-B4; 2. Q-N3 and similar variations as above. 1. -, P-B5; 2. Q-KN1 ch., K-K5; 3. Q-N4 mate. 1. -, P-K5; 2. Q-QR1 ch., K-B5; 3. Q-R4 mate.

#829 (Tikkanen) Key: 1. Q-K3 threat: 2. N-K7 mate. The diagrams in the second series are reversed, the headings are correct though.

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#831 (Riezu) Key: 1. N-B5 threat: 2. R/4-N5 mate.

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#829: 1. De3 dr. 2. Pe7 mat.
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Calendar of Events

Ontario

- Sept. 4- Oct. 16 St. Catharines: Focus on the Family film series by Dr. James Dobson. Seven consecutive Thursday evenings, Covenant Christian Reformed Church, St. Catharines, 8 p.m.
- Sept. 6 Y.E.S. Conference, Sat. Sept. 6, 1980, Meadowvale, Community Christian Reformed Church, Mississauga, theme: "What Child Is This." Guest speaker, Mrs. Lorie Kok will speak on those energetic eights to those trying twelves. Plus many more workshops. All youth leaders are invited to attend. For more information and registration forms please contact the Y.E.S. Office, 1008 Bathurst St., Toronto, ON M5R 3G7.
- Sept. 20 A day for singles at Camp Shalom, Cambridge, ON, for widowed, divorced and single parents ages 25-60. John Struyk, guest speaker, sponsored by Maple Leaf Reformed Church, Toronto, ON.
- Sept. 23-26 London. The Francis Schaeffer film, "Whatever Happened To The Human Race?" will be shown on Sept. 23, 25, 26, at London District Christian Secondary School, 8 p.m.
- Oct. 6,7 Ontario Association of Alternative and Independent Schools (OAAIS) will hold its sixth annual conference. Guest speaker: Dr. Paul Marshall, York University political scientist. Location to be announced.
- Oct. 18 Annual meeting of the Committee for Justice and Liberty in Toronto. Speaker: Wilbur Sutherland, former executive director of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

Alberta

- Aug. 1-4 AACS Conference in Didsbury, Dr. Richard Mouw, guest speaker; Theme: Paying our Political dues.
- Aug. 10-17 Billy Graham Crusade in Edmonton.
- Aug. 26-28 Professor Karl Hochreither from Berlin, West Germany, a master choral conductor, is giving a choral workshop for all choral directors and members at The King's College, Edmonton, AB. Full days of choral rehearsals are planned, ending in a public recital. Contact the college for more details.
- Sept. 1 11 a.m. (Labour Day) Second Annual Convocation of the King's College at the beginning of a new year.

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Books

Ethics

A.I.D. study indicates a complex issue

Artificial Insemination by Donor by Phyllis Creighton; published by The Anglican Book Centre, 600 Jarvis Street, Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 2J6, 1977; paperback, 84 pages; price: \$3.50. Reviewed by Dick Pierik, Toronto, Ontario.

This book "represents the work of The Task Force on Human Life, an interdisciplinary group established . . . at the request of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, to study ethical issues posed by medicine and the life sciences." Phyllis Creighton is one of the fifteen members (including only two women!) of the Task Force.

The report is written for the benefit of "parents wanting children, doctors providing treatment, lawyers giving counsel, legislators protecting human rights." It deals with the controversial issue of artificial insemination by donor (not husband).

In our circles we are accustomed to synodical reports that are based on serious biblical research and which usually come on one side or the other of an issue. This report does not fall into that category. It tends to be weak (at some points 'liberal') in dealing with biblical material, and instead of giving the reader a neat "this-is-the-answer" kind of conclusion it faithfully

reports to us the often pronounced differences of opinion within the committee itself.

That has its drawbacks. I do feel that some thorough — and sound — biblical investigation would have enhanced the report, and unanimous conclusions at least would have given us more of a feeling that we Christians can come to a consensus on difficult issues as this one.

On the other hand I see some merit in the report just as it is. For one thing I am inclined to believe that there is far less relevant biblical material on this issue than strong opponents of A.I.D. at times suggest, and the temptation to

make the Bible say what we want it to say is an ever-increasing pitfall. And the divergent opinions ably stated in this report probably fairly represent the variety of possible views — also among Christians.

All in all the report clearly establishes the immense complexity of the issue and brings in numerous aspects the average person would not think of. It leaves no room for a simplistic yes or no response.

The position of the report itself, if one may speak of a position, is that of a seriously qualified "yes" with respect to A.I.D. It would seem quite likely to me that the report would help some readers come to a

better informed "no" as well.

With only the reservations I have mentioned I recommend this report to the people for whom it was written in the first place, but also to all others interested in the issue. I do so for three reasons. (a) the report will inform readers about how a significant group of fellow believers deal with the issue of A.I.D. (b) It will give much practical advice to people who find themselves making decisions related to the choice of A.I.D. And (c) it will help all thoughtful readers not to treat lightly this immensely complex by-product of modern medicine.

Sociology

A case for anti-abortion

Who Broke the Baby? by Jean Staker Garton; published by Bethany Fellowship Inc, Minneapolis, Minn., 1979; in Canada: Beacon Distributing, Whitby, ON; 108 pages, paperback. Reviewed by Hans W. Zegerius, Arthur, Ontario.

Jean Garton, holding two honorary doctorates in literature is the wife of a pastor of the Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod, co-founder and national president of Lutherans for Life. Herself a mother of four, she is a highly regarded lecturer and author and has taught in grades from Kindergarten through

college. Her primary interest is Women's Rights and Equality. In this cause she serves both church and government agencies.

This is a book that strikes at the heart of pro-abortion legislation and arguments, and, if it were heeded, would strike them down in both church and state. The subtitle aptly defines the content: "A Brilliant Disclosure of What the Abortion Slogans Really Mean." She deals with such slogans as: "Every child should be a wanted child;" "A fetus is not a person;" "The right to choose;" "A woman's right to control her own body;"

and "The termination of pregnancy."

Garton's Christian conviction clearly dominates her arguments, but well-documented scientific data and statistics, her expert command of clearly defined terms, her minimal use of academic phrases, and well-ordered flow of thought make the book challenging and, indeed, enjoyable reading for people of all persuasions.

One might wish that she would have elaborated more on the ethics that guide her thinking. But perhaps the very strength of her book lies in the fact that she en-

deavours to tear down obstacles in the area where another may restructure and rebuild. Her thesis is "that our society has legalized private killing" and has chosen "to offer death as an alternative to suffering." Her answer is "the choice of the Judaeo-Christian ethic which accords value and dignity to every human life...."

In dealing with the role of fathers when abortion is considered within the framework of married life, it might have been well for her to refer to I Cor. 7:4 (her ch. 2 and 10). The reader may wish to consider this powerful text in that connec-

tion.

It is tempting to quote again and again such poignant phrases as: "to 'want' or 'not to want' children is to dehumanize them;" "many individual rights are partial and not absolute;" "for Cain the world was overpopulated as long as Abel was in it;" or to recount the compelling logic with which she can conclude that by the legalization of abortion "laws against child abuse become meaningless."

Anyone touched by the moral decay of our society ought to read this book — twice! Then, give it to your highschoolers!

History

Do-it-yourself guide to tracing the family line

In Search of Your Roots — A Guide for Canadians Seeking Their Ancestors by Angus Baxter; MacMillan of Canada, Toronto, 1980; paperback, 293 pages; price: \$9.95. Reviewed by Barbara Hudspeth, Hamilton, Ontario.

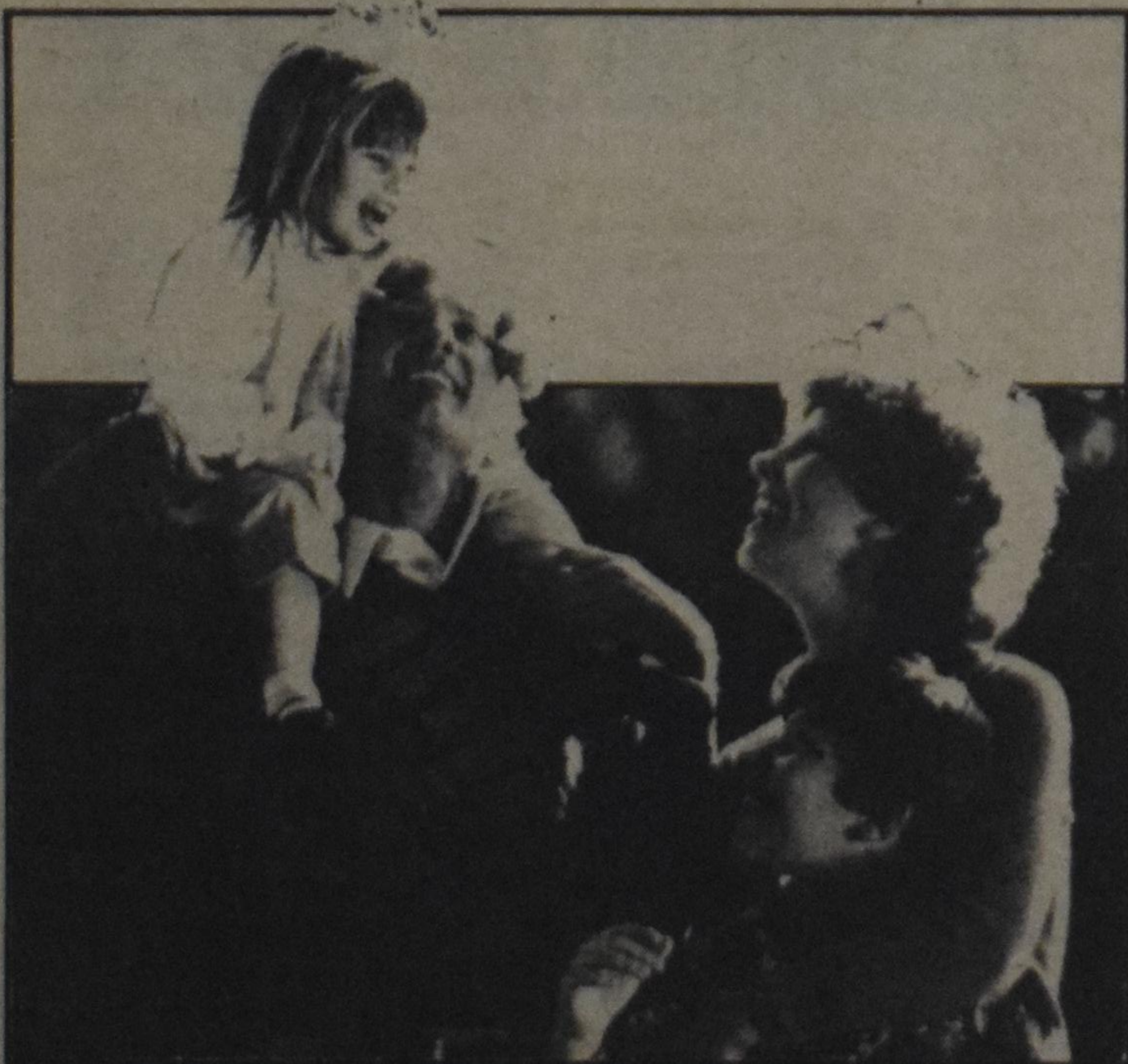
If you're keen on searching out your ancestry, unearthing the family fortune or coat-of-arms, you will definitely be interested in

Angus Baxter's *In Search of Your Roots*. However, Angus Baxter will quickly burst your bubble and make it plain that ancestor hunting is time-consuming, expensive and incredibly frustrating work, that family fortunes are extremely rare and that most coats-of-arms are bogus.

If you are still enthused about the search and share Mr. Baxter's obvious delight in rooting out

obscure family origins, you will find this book a great jumping-off point. If you are a Canadian tracing your immediate ancestry, then wishing to proceed to the British Isles, the U.S., France, Scandinavia, Albania, Italy, The Netherlands, Greece or anywhere else in Europe, you will find that Angus Baxter has done much of the ground work for you. He is quick to point out pitfalls, expose the charlatans, and assist you in drawing up a family tree. He has compiled considerable lists of Church registries as well as corresponding archives, libraries, museums, title offices, court registries and genealogical societies where valuable records may be obtained. He explains confusing dating methods, tells you how to best use cemeteries and suggests how you might tactfully approach an uncooperative cleric.

Angus Baxter has written extensively on root-searching and is a long-time member of the Society of Genealogists both in London, England and Ontario. He freely intersperses this guide with amusing anecdotes from his own ancestor-hunting experiences. If you are a true enthusiast, particularly a Canadian with European heritage, you will find *In Search of Your Roots* invaluable.



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